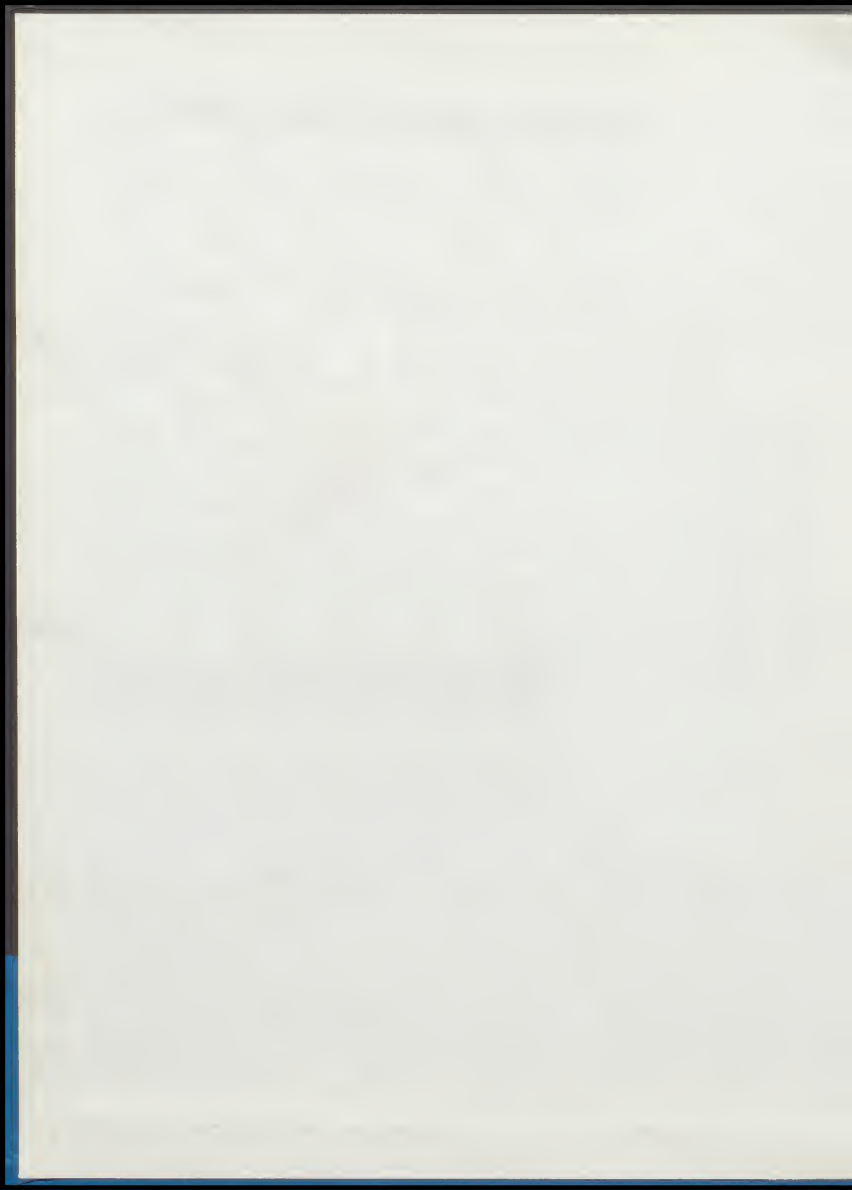


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the 1990s, the number of people with a diagnosis of schizophrenia has increased in the United Kingdom (Meltzer 1998). The prevalence of schizophrenia in the United Kingdom is estimated to be 1.2% (Meltzer 1998).

There is a growing awareness of the need to improve the lives of people with mental health problems. The United Kingdom has a number of government departments and agencies that are responsible for the provision of mental health services. The Department of Health is responsible for the overall policy and funding of mental health services. The Department of Social Security is responsible for the provision of social security benefits to people with mental health problems. The Department of the Environment is responsible for the provision of housing and other social services to people with mental health problems.

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During a performance of "Rumors", Andy Wirtz (11) crawls on the floor after he lost his hearing. The cast presented a 30 minute excerpt from the show in Indianapolis where they were then invited to a state competition. Photo by Trey Williams



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Beginning OF THE End

Constant variation confronted the students with the installation of principal Andrew Nixon and assistant principal Jennifer Johansson who joined the administrative staff. The student body remained **hopelessly optimistic** while stricter policies throughout the year brought conflict.

"So much of what went on here was just trying to survive. I hoped to eventually liberate and restructure the school to bring education to a higher energy level where the students were the beneficiaries," said Mr. Nixon. As the student body adjusted, the school board named Mr. Dennis Tracy as a resource officer. "As the liaison between the police department and the school, I encountered not only the bad but also all of the good students at this school on a daily basis," said Officer Tracy.

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Clear misunderstandings led to circulating rumors that Homecoming activities were going to be cancelled. Once the turmoil settled, students focused their attention on more pertinent issues from day to day. "We got in less trouble coming unprepared to class than coming in tardy; I thought it should be the other way around," said Keri Cuculich (10). At the same time, certain policies, the passing period system for instance, offered students breaks after being redesigned. "The longer passing periods helped because getting to classes was difficult due to the overcrowding in the hallways," said Shannon Morfin (11). (continued p. 5)

Jennifer Schaafsma (11), as the Bulldog mascot, entertains a group of children at a home football game. Schaafsma had to attend a one day audition for the role before the football season.

Photo by Melissa Mariola

Amid the dazzling lights and decorations, Amanda Reader (10) and Robert Wernes (10) take a break to peer at their schoolmates from the gym balcony. Nearly 500 couples and 10 singles attended the dance.

Photo by Giolas





In his 4th hour graphics class, Andrew Russell (12) plays with the computer drawing tools on Adobe Photoshop. As a second year student, assignments were project based. Photo by Giolas

Practicing on stage before the holiday concert, Sarah Carr (10) and Reanna Borchert (10) play their violins. The orchestra put on a mini-concert for the school on the last Friday before Winter Break. Photo by Giolas



Due to the overcrowding during lunches, Lisa Curry (11) and Robynn Bisping (10) eat their lunches on the ramp. For the second semester, the lunch schedules were reformed to configure four lunches rather than five. Photo by Melissa Mariola



Taking advantage of the quiet, Tim Grossenheider (10) works on his homework in the industrial hallway. Grossenheider was studying for his graphics class with Mr. John Bare. Photo by Giolas



Kippy Burditt (11) and Nick Kristoff (11) learn how to fix the fuel filter in a gas golf cart from Mr. Belel (Auto). In the class, students dealt with the general maintenance of all car systems.

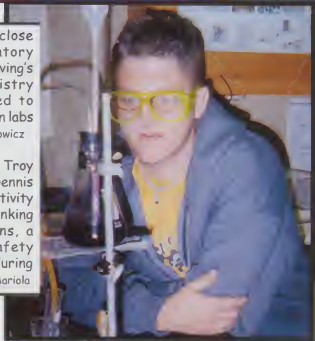
Photo by Gielas

In preparation for Homecoming, Booster Club President Natalie Nix (12) paints windows downtown. Names of football players and words of inspiration donned the square. Photo by Gielas



Nick Wirtz (12) keeps close observation on laboratory experiment in Mr. Kelly Loving's chemistry class. Chemistry students were expected to complete approximately ten labs per year. Photo by Dan Motkowicz

During Red Ribbon Week, Troy Bush (10), with Officer Dennis Tracy, participates in an activity that shows effects of drinking and driving. Red ribbons, a candlelight walk and safety pledges were featured during the week. Photo by Melissa Mariola



Beginning of the end

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Joe Cervante (12) rounds the corner at Lemon Lake hoping to gain a lead on New Prairie. Cervantes joined the team with a friend as a sophomore for something to do and lettered as a senior. Photo by Giolas

Surrounded by dog bowls, Dave Vlink (12) and Bret Govert (12) relax at a spaghetti dinner for the football team. The parents of Chris Damjanovic (12) rented out Hub Pool for the occasion on the night before the Hobart game. Photo by Veronica Dominguez



New and improved organizations and activities attempted to create a greater emphasis on important issues. In order to shed light on the effects of drinking and driving, a **group of individuals** organized a SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) chapter where they offered awareness towards everyday life issues. Formerly known as Windfall, the Suburban Roots organization expanded to give students the opportunity to express themselves. "Suburban Roots gave the chance to share talents with others in a comfortable setting," said Chris Seleski (11). Students in National Honor Society, Key Club, and Student Council participated in the "Relay for Life" fund-raiser held June 1 to raise money for cancer research.

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Minor disasters occurred before Winter Break bringing investigations in search of a scoreboard that was found missing from the athletic department. Meanwhile, the Medieval Times field trip on December 7 developed into an **organized mess**. "Congested traffic and dangerous weather conditions forced the buses to return an hour and a half later," said Mrs. Deb Cuffia (English). Due to conflicts, not all of the 150 World Literature students were able to attend the rescheduled trip.

Infinite moments defined a year faced with changes, triumphs, and crises. Opportunities and dreams of both the student body and the staff stopped **nothing short of everything**. -Melissa Mariola

Randomly Organized

Celebrations, from the cheerful fanfare of Spirit Week to the tearful goodbyes at graduation, created chances for students to become closer to classmates and their school. In order to extend the school spirit, the Student Council organized plans to create the first annual Turnabout Spirit Week festivities. "We wanted another spirit week and we really felt that the winter sports went unnoticed," said Kathy Shaw (11).

Pressures confronted students inside of school while teachers initiated group projects as alternative methods to the routine of daily work. "There was more pressure to perform well because there was a rush and they did not give enough time," said Brianna Wirtz (10). On one hand, the projects gave students more confidence, but at the same time, they created awkward situations to perform well in front of peers.

Relaxation time on the weekends and breaks brought escapes from the monotony and stress of regular days. "Hanging out with my friends was like being released from prison for two days," said Tom Sarnecki (12). Friendships and relationships created memorable moments while students discovered that hobbies provided a refreshing release. "My grandmother taught me how to cook and I loved it," said Claudia Rhye (9).

Alternative types of training, such as on-site child development, Crossroads School, fine arts, the Cisco program and industrial technology, offered varied courses and teaching techniques. "We only saw the professor on the screen which required more self-educating and independence," said Bogojka Dukleski (11) who took Allied Health and Medical Terminology offered in the Vision Athena room. -Melissa Mariola





On the west lawn of the old courthouse, Necteria Aliferakis (10), a member of the Suburban Roots club, trims the trees with brightly colored ornaments. Mr. Chad Bush (club sponsor) offered the help of his members to initiate this newly developed tradition for the city of Crown Point. Formerly known as *Windfall*, the club not only created the literary magazine, but they also developed an avenue for students to showcase their talent. At various locations each Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., students sang, played music, read poetry, and presented visual arts. All presentations had to be original. To show their appreciation, the audience snapped their fingers instead of clapping. Photo by Jessica Koscielniak



Summer

Good times a sure bet when school's out

Students looked forward to a time without dealing with school, teachers and rules. Summer provided a reason to celebrate.

Miss Deanna Emole (Science), Justin Miller (12), and Tom Sarnecki (12)

"Key Largo was a great place to scuba dive and to have fun with friends. Marine Biology class was definitely a very worthwhile class," said Miller. Photo submitted by Justin Miller



Victoria Liss (12) and Sarah Lowery (12)

"Taking a visit to Animal Kingdom (Disney World theme park in Orlando, Florida) was a great time to spend with the people I care about," said Liss. Photo submitted by Victoria Liss



Sarah Archer (12), Katie Kurowski (12), Laurie Leonard (12), and Nicole Frost (12) take one last trip to the beach. "The sun came out, the rain held off, and we had a great time hanging out," said Frost.

Photo by Ashley Rhodes



Cynthia Mota (12)

"Rock climbing was a great experience, and I recommend it to anyone who likes new experiences," said Mota. Mota tried rock climbing at the Omega Sports Center in Hobart. It was her first time, but she decided she liked it and returned for another go. Photo by Maritza Mota



Tim Bosel (11)

Taking a break from the wedding festivities, Bosel tries out the arbortron at a local carnival in England. Bosel's sister was married there over the summer. Photo submitted by Tim Bosel

Cory Driver (12)

"Marching in the Drum and Bugle Corps Midwest Championships was a rewarding experience for me," said Driver. Only a few students qualified for the Drum Corps. Photo submitted by Cory Driver





During a summer camp competition held in July at Notre Dame, Jessica Hitchcock (11), Kelli Morgan (12), Steve Schelfo (11), and Josh Damjanovic (10) wait to hear the list for Nationals. The squad brought home several honors. Photo by Veronica Dominguez



waiting the final bell of the day that announced summer vacation, students dashed out the school doors with excitement on June 1st hoping for freedom, and good times. Students chose various ways to spend their summer. While some ventured to far away vacations spots, others spent time in the sun at home and still others used the summer time to complete needed courses or earn extra money.

Students reported that they visited the beach, the water parks, or vacation spots.

Megan Reid (10) said, "I went to the water park with some of my sophomore friends, Angie Tsikouris, Megan Frasor, and Sarah Schueneman to meet new people and get a tan." Natalie Gomeztagle (11) went to Cancun. She said, "We stayed there for five days; it was awesome! We saw the Mayan Temples and went swimming with the dolphins."

Although it was summer, those taking classes arrived at school

by 7:30 am. "I woke up at 6:30 when I was in summer gym and 10:00 or 11:00 on weekends," said Natalie Holtzinger (9). Robert Slepceovich (9) said, "Kevin McFadden (9) and I went to summer gym, then after that we went to soccer conditioning."

Those who worked found free time for friends. "I worked with my best friend Dustin Henderlong (12). If I wasn't working, I was out having fun," said Jon

Lowery (12).

Summer brought drama to the local streets. Rick Oliver (11) said, "One of my favorite parts of the summer was when the fugitives (from Mississippi) were half a mile down from my house,

and my friends and I rode by the T.V cameras screaming and yelling."

Veronica Dominguez

Open Secrets

"Africa was an amazing and exciting place. The land was so beautiful, with the wild animals, endless grasslands, and towering trees...from the baboon that played in the tree while I wrote my journal to the lion that came in and ate a cow. I worked in a medical clinic at Tanzania where I had contact with many different people. Every time I had the opportunity to assist the doctors I received the feeling that I had made a difference in the world. I also performed Christian dramas and music for Tanzanians. As a missionary there were more moments of peace than I thought I could ever experienced." Jim Walsh (12)

Photo by Veronica Dominguez



Seniors Mike Knaga, Bryan Schaefer, Nate Reilly, and Aaron Kennedy wear their penitentiary shirts while riding on the senior float during the Homecoming parade. Seniors created a float that looked like a jailhouse. Photo by Melissa Mariola



Rumors spread throughout the building weeks before Homecoming. "Spirit week is going to be canceled. He called off Prom at his other school." "He," referred to Mr. Andrew Nixon, the new principal. However, Spirit Week and Homecoming went on as usual and the rumors proved to be just rumors.

Beginning with Pajama Day, only a handful of guys dressed up. "Girls like to be cuter than guys," said Jennifer Teske (10). Twin Day, Eighties "Flashdance" Day and Costume Day followed respectively. It was difficult to choose the best dressed, but Joe Huber (9) liked the student who dressed like a Bulldog. "It showed an incredible amount of spirit," he said.

On Friday students wore class shirts. Seniors wore red shirts donning the phrase "Kiss my Class...Goodbye", while the junior and sophomore shirts simply designated their graduation year. "I thought the (senior) slogan was clever," said Brian Price (12).

On Friday afternoon, 30 minutes before the last bell, students fought their way through the halls to the gymnasium where four coaches competed in a marshmallow-catching contest. Mr. Art Equihua (social studies) won the event and escaped punishment. The other three, however, were not as fortunate. As students screamed with glee, coaches Dave Egofski (Physical Education), Chad Bush (English), and Tony Bartolemeo (Science) received a pie in the face. "I thought the pep session was a good way to get everyone involved and pumped up for the game with a chance to show spirit," said Christina Sanford (12). **-Chase Overbeeke & Stephanie Black**



Open Secrets

"The week before Homecoming was pretty hectic, but exciting! I was running around trying to put everything together. Thankfully I had a

lot of help and support from my family and most of all, my friends. I was very nervous during the pep rally because I had to walk in front of the entire school, but more so at the football game. It seemed like the whole town was there so I really did not want to mess up. I thought it was nice of my fellow students to paint faces for Jake. I was glad to

be involved in all the spirit week activities. My favorite day was Costume Day because I dressed up as a girl scout. Even though I didn't win, it was an awesome experience that I will never forget. I was just thankful to be a part of it." -Homecoming Court Nominee Laurie Leonard (12) Photo by Melissa Mariola

Spirit Week

Cold weather makes week blazin' hot

Between the dress-up days, pep rally, parade and game, students found many opportunities during the week to celebrate Homecoming.



Katie Biker (12), Ashley Bush (12), and Erin Hostinsky (10)

Braving the winter cold, Biker, Bush and Hostinsky huddle close together to keep warm. The day of the Homecoming game and parade brought about unseasonably cold, snowy weather conditions for the students and players, as well as the fans. Photo by Stephanie Black

Alea Hooks (12), Heather Burke (12) and Erin Shanley (12)

To show spirit during "Flashdance" day, Hooks, Burke, and Shanley sport the '80's look. Spirit Week was organized by the student council. Photo by Ashley Rhodes



Kelli Hein (12)

"Holy coldness! It was just a bit nippy during the parade and Homecoming game. I could not believe I had to wear a sweater instead of my class shirt because of the weather." Photo by Stephanie Black



Sarah Schwenkman (10) and Ashleigh Goetz (10)

"Building the float was difficult work, but it was really fun to be involved in. Although it was freezing cold during the parade, I thought that all the hard work was really worth it in the end," said Goetz. Photo by Sarah Pasyk

Steven Sendejas (12)

"I had so much fun taking part in Spirit Week. I would not lie... I mainly dressed up for the attention. My favorite day was eighties day when I dressed up and carried a boom box around school. I loved myself and my high school," said Sendejas. Photo by Ashley Rhodes



Laurie Leonard (12), Kelly Davis (12), Lindsey Clochina (12), Kim Podowski (12), and Kelly

Manfred (12) Of the queen candidates, Clochina walked away with the crown. Photo by G



Homecoming

Practical experience brings laughter

Despite the cold temperatures and snowfall of the night, students kept warm and celebrated with friends and classmates.

Dana Hernick (11) and Brian Stokoski (11)

"I had so much fun dancing with all of my friends that night at Homecoming. The best part of the night was when Jamie Kooi (11) started dancing so crazy and we all jumped in to join her," said Hernick. Photo by John Bir



Kristine Rasmussen (12) and Mike Sykes (alumni)

"My favorite moment of the night was when Mike and I danced to 'God Must Have Spent a Little More Time on You.' It explains our relationship," said Rasmussen.

Photo by John Bir



J.D. Schmucker (12) and Erin Shanley (12)

"The theme received a great response. I believe everyone will be grateful and want to have a great evening," said Schmucker. Photo by John Bir



Dan Knaga (12) and Lindsey Ciochina (12)

Dancing during the traditional spotlight dance, Knaga and Ciochina laugh as they try to step in tune with the music. Both candidates were surprised when their names were announced. "I was really surprised when I won the title of Mr. Football. It was a great feeling, and I was able to dance with a great girl during the spotlight dance," said Knaga. Photo by John Bir



Lindsey Ciochina (12)

"I was surprised to even be nominated. It was so great that all of the girls on the court got along so well. I was completely shocked and honored!" Photo by Stephanie Black

Katie Krol (12)

"Waking up at five o'clock in the morning to decorate was hard because the night before I was out late at the Homecoming football game, but nonetheless, decorating was still so much fun. Photo by Ashley Rhodes





Members of the Homecoming Court await the announcement of the new Mr. Football. The court lined up on the balcony of the gymnasium midway through the dance so that the students could see every selected member. Photo by John Bir

The glowing cascade of lights, a colorful skyline silhouette, and the Statue of Liberty transformed the gym into the illusion of New York City. The Booster Club chose the theme "A Night on the Town" for the occasion. Danielle Dravet (10), a member of the club, said, "The hardest part of decorating was waking up at six in the morning on the day of the dance, but it was really nice to be a part of something so special."

Booster club hired a D.J. for the evening. "I really liked the D.J., because he had a variety of music to chose from," said Christie Davis (9).

At the dance, Homecoming Queen Lindsey Ciochina crowned Dan Knaga as Mr. Football. Fellow peers watched as the queen and king danced to "That's What Friends are For" during the traditional spotlight dance.

Open Secrets

"Before the dance I went and picked

up Autumn to take her back to my house to take pictures. Then we drove to the dance. It was fun because we were able to see all of our friends and get our pictures taken together. Afterwards, we ate at House of Kobe and went back to my house to watch a movie.

When the night was over, I took her home. We had tons of fun hanging out with our friends and dancing." -Jarrod Fodenski (11) with Autumn Siphema (10). Photo by John Bir



Cold temperatures and snow set in on the October night. Allison Bishop (11) said, "My group and I drove up to Chicago and ended up at the Hard Rock Cafe for dinner. I had a really good time, except for that the weather was so bad that it took us two hours to get home!"

Mike Stanek (11) said, "Homecoming was a blast, although I was really surprised when I walked out of House of Kobe and it was snowing. I didn't think that it would

ever snow that early in the year."

Despite the weather, students found ways to enjoy the night. Dustin Henderlong (12) said, "I had a ball dancing like a fool, but the best part was seeing my classmates up for Queen and Mr. Football." -Danielle Schott

Turnabout was a great success. The decorations were beautiful and the music was perfect. The students had a great time and the teachers were also enjoying it. The Turnabout dance was a great success and the students had a great time. The teachers were also enjoying it. The Turnabout dance was a great success and the students had a great time. The teachers were also enjoying it.



Dancing in the Moonlight", the theme of Turnabout, helped to create a majestic mood for everyone who attended the dance. Balloon trees, hanging flowers, a realistic pond, and hundreds of twinkling lights were just some of the decorations that made the theme appear to come alive. Lauren Angel (10) said, "I thought that the decorations had improved from the previous Turnabout, especially the backdrop for the pictures." The cheerleaders who developed and organized the Turnabout dance every year, spent the day transforming the St. Constantine Greek Church reception hall into a dance floor with a romantic touch.

A popular opinion among students was that the D.J. was not as good as at previous dances. Blake Reynolds (11) said, "The D.J. at Turnabout was terrible. They played music that was either not fast enough or not slow enough to dance to." Although many students commented that they did not like the D.J., Melissa Cooper (9) disagreed. Cooper said, "I thought that the D.J. at Turnabout was pretty good. They played a variety of music and also listened to our requests."



To keep the night from ending, many students went out for dinner or out with friends after the dance. Steve Etter (10) said, "Turnabout was so much fun. After the dance, we all went out to Alexander's for dinner where there was a live comedian performing. Then at the 'after party', Johnny Pittman (10) was so funny." -Danielle Schott, Karie Larsen and Stephanie Black

Open Secrets

"I went to Turnabout with my friend Audrey Bail (12). Neither one of us had the courage to ask a guy so instead we thought it would be fun to just go and dance with everyone else's dates. We rented movies and bought a bunch of junk food so we could just have a girls' night at home. We followed my brother and his friends as soon as we got to the dance, we saw some friends. Audrey and I ran to catch up with them. As I was running, I smacked my foot on one of the metal chairs. I was in so much pain, but I figured that it would

eventually go away. It did not though and my toe started turning black and it soon started to swell. I had it checked out later that night and I was told to tape it to my other toe because I had broken it. The rest of the night I had to spend limping around but I still danced on it carefully. I was not about to sit the whole time because of the accident." -Lindsey Hoerning (12) (with Amber Sytsma, 10) Photo submitted by Taryn Salmi



Turnabout

Night Shade brightens moonlight

Despite the downpour of rain, 50 mph winds, and cloudy skies, students celebrated "Dancing in the Moonlight."



Mike Zurbriggen (12) with Nicole Hienoway (12)

"My senior Turnabout was fabulous. I had a great time going with my close friends. Not to mention Nicole was such a great date," said Zurbriggen. The couple, who went as friends, joined up with eight other friends and went to dinner at the House of Kobe, located in Schererville. Photo by Giolas

Amy Marsh (11)

"Turnabout was so much fun. I had a great time dancing and talking with all of my friends. I loved the theme "Dancing in the Moonlight" and the new hall was absolutely beautiful. I could not wait for the dance next year." Photo by Giolas



Eric Foster (12)

"I brought my girlfriend, Melissa, from Lake Central. We had a great time dancing, and afterwards, we went to McDonalds. It was a special occasion, so I let her supersize it." Photo by Giolas

Emily Tromp (11)

"I had a really great time at Turnabout. I was so glad that I got to spend the time with my boyfriend Drew, from Lowell, again. I also liked the reception hall where the dance was held much better than the previous one. It was crowded, but I think there was more room than before."

Photo by
Giolas



Heather Dallman (10)

"During the dance, Dallman poses for the camera. She attended the dance with her boyfriend, Brett Wartman (11)."

Photo by Giolas



Andrew Russell (12) Brittany Andrews (10)

"By the time we arrived at the dance, my girlfriend did not like the way my hair smelled because it got wet from all the rain. After the dance, we went to the Cheesecake Factory."

Photo by Giolas



Holidays

Family togetherness makes serious fun

Culture and traditions from around the world come together, bringing family and friends closer for various occasions.

Esther White (12)

"In order to celebrate Valentine's Day, my Pro-Start Culinary class decided to make heart shaped suckers. We sold them during lunches leading up to Valentine's Day and all of the proceeds that we made we planned to use to purchase a new set of knives for our class." Photo by Stephanie Black



Brenton Harris (10) and Nick Paulauski (12)

"I loved blues and jazz and I had the chance to dress up for Halloween, so I took it. I thought it was a good idea plus I made about two dollars," said Harris (10)

Photo by Ashley Rhodes



Erin Kirk (12) with Lauren Surber (12)

"Lauren and I passed out carnations after school let out on February 13th. We wanted the students to have the flowers during their 4th hour on Valentine's Day. This was one of many H.E.R.O. fund-raisers throughout the year," said Kirk. Photo by R. Overbeeke



Mrs. Deb Ciocchina's English class

...to deliver gifts to St. Jude's Health Center. Each of her classes took part in the family fun during Christmas



Stephanie Tithof (12)

...to deliver gifts to St. Jude's Health Center. Each of her classes took part in the family fun during Christmas



Erin Shanley (12), Kenny Easton (11) and Show Choir

During the Christmas Convocation, Mixed Show Choir performs "Boogie Woogie Santa Clause" for the student body. To add some Christmas spirit to the holiday number, Shanley and Easton were showcased as Mr. and Mrs. Clause. Photo by R. Overbeeke



During the fourth of July parade, the cheerleaders perform in front of the crowd. The celebration started at 2 pm in the Taft Middle School parking lot and took its traditional route around the square. Photo submitted by Kristine Wasmussen

Open Secrets

"As a tradition, I went with my two sisters to the pumpkin patch every year. It was fun for my older sister, Ashley, and I to bond with our little sister, Brianna.

This time, Ashley and I decided to invite Jason Roberts (12) and Matt Zaleski (11), to come with us. We jumped on a hay ride out to the pumpkin patch. After we got off of the ride, Matt and I went out into the field to find the perfect pumpkin. When we got home, we all carved our pumpkins together. I was so happy that Brianna and Matt got along so well. It also gave Matt and I a chance to bond together, but I was glad that we could all enjoy this tradition together." -Lauren Rhodes (10). Photo by Ashley Rhodes



Family and friends gathered around dinner tables, Christmas trees, and even the grill celebrating holidays and enjoying time together. Holidays were days spent in commemoration of a special occasion.

Most students took advantage of the time away from school by having fun on holidays throughout the year.

Even before school started, students made plans to celebrate the fourth of July. The day began with the annual parade and generally ended with the last sighting of the annual fireworks over Francher Lake at the Lake County Fair Grounds. "I spent the entire day with my boyfriend and his family. That night I went to my friend's house and watched the fireworks from the fairgrounds," said Jodi McFadden (12).

Taking time off to spend with loved ones made Thanksgiving special. Many students spent the day with their family and close friends. "My family and I invited friends and family over for dinner. Before dinner each guest stated what they were thankful for," said Karrisa Key (11).

Holiday spirit was hard to deny as Thanksgiving came too a close. Jessica Bach (12) said, "I celebrated Christmas with my family. We all opened presents together and read the *Christmas Story* on Christmas Eve."

Celebrating with friends was the most common approach for the new year, while others partied from a different time zone. "I went to Pasadena, California to watch Purdue play in the Rose Bowl", said Nick Dimos (12). -Stephanie Black

Kelly McMahon (11), Karie Larson (11), Angie Spadoni (11), Kara Gora (11) and Danielle Schott (11) "Before the dance everyone in our group went to my date, Brad Pelton's (12) house to take pictures. The twelve of us spent about an hour outside before the limo picked us up to take us to the dance," said Schott (11).

Photo submitted by Karie Larson



In preparation for the big night, students did everything from making tanning appointments to renting a limousine. Doing most of the running around, girls created chaos. They seemed to spend hours upon hours preparing for the big night. "I made tanning and hair appointments, bought a new dress and a lot of accessories," said Barb Panizzo (11). They guys on the other hand did less running around and more relaxing. "I pretty much waited until the last minute to jump in the shower and put my tux on. All together it took me about twenty minutes to get ready," said Charlie Amodeo (12).

After all the pictures with family and friends, students headed to the Grand March and coronation. Walking down the red carpet in the spotlight, students admitted that they felt a little like royalty. "I felt like a rich man entering a big occasion," said Dale Wagner (12). Others enjoyed the attention they received from the audience. Brad Wilson (10) said, "I thought it was cool to have everyone watching me." The coronation preceded the march and Charlie Festa (12) and Ashley Bush (12) gained the crown as king and queen.

At 7 p.m. the doors to St. Elijah Hall opened. "I walked into the dance and it was like heaven on earth. Everyone looked so beautiful," said Erin Momper (10). Sarah Archer (12) welcomed the students and said thanks to God for bringing everyone together. Dinner immediately followed. Jamie Pierce said (12), "I did not really enjoy the food, except for the salad and bread. I did not eat the chicken because junior year it made me sick." The crowd started to die down after a night of dancing. Couples left to enjoy the rest of the night. To some Prom gave Cinco de Mayo, the day of prom, a whole new meaning. **-Stephanie Black**

Open Secrets

"My hair appointment ran late and I had to be at my friend's house for our limo at 4:30. To add to that, I was not satisfied with my hair, so I rushed home, changed into my dress

(which I also did not like), retouched my makeup and fixed my hair. I arrived at my date's (Chris Aiello, 12) house at 4:45 and we still had to take pictures. We left to go to the limo, when I realized that I had forgotten our tickets. When we finally arrived at Kelly's house, I was not in a good mood, and everyone looked mad. I was not sure if they were

upset with me for being late or if they were just looking at my awful hair. I thought, 'Well the night cannot possibly get any worse.' And it didn't; the Grand March was nice and the dance was a blast. Overall, my senior prom was definitely a night I will not forget." -Suzanne Ilgin

Photo by Gielas



Prom

Nearly complete year ends with last hurrah

Wearing beads and masks dancers created the mood for the Prom's theme "Midnight Masquerade". The festival style scenery helped create a memorable night.



Becky Hamilton (12) and Jeff Phillips (11)

Dancing is a sure thing. Hamilton and Phillips will not only enjoy the night, but they will also have a special experience. Jeff and I had a great time dancing and just being together. Jeff danced with me, and he normally does not show anyone around. After the dance, the couple, along with a group of friends, went to Cafe Venezia in Minneapolis. To finish the night Hamilton and Phillips decided to go dancing. Photo by Gialos

Adam Eich (12) and Celia Gura (12)

"We had an extremely good time at Prom and it couldn't have gone any better. It was really fun seeing our friends all dressed up for the last time. After, we drove up to Chicago...." said Eich. Photo by Gialos



Queen Ashley Bush (12) and King Charlie Festa (12)

"Becoming Queen was really special for me. I got to dance with Charlie who has been one of my good friends since I was eight years old," said Bush. Photo by Gialos



Eric Knapp (11)

"Prom was much different than any other dance that I had been to before. It was definitely a lot more formal. I was surprised about the food. It was better than I thought it would be. I also liked the decorations. They were elaborate," said Knapp. Photo by Gialos

Melissa Booker (12) and Chris Kyle (12)

"I thought that my senior prom was, by far, the most memorable moment during my high school career. My date, Chris Kyle, was awesome, and we had a blast together. It was a great way to end my senior year," said Booker. Photo by Gialos



Prom King nominees Alumni Mike Mathias passes the title onto Charlie Festa at the Grand March. It was a traditional for the previous king or queen to return the following year.



Post Prom

Closing of the dance opens post Prom events

Extending the celebration of the dance, friends and couples planned after-the-dance activities for the entire Prom weekend.

Natalie Nix (12) and Melissa Mariola (12)

"Sunday night after the prom, Natalie, my date Mickey Thompson (alumni), and I decided to have a bonfire and make s'mores at our cabin. Natalie laughed as my marshmallow kept catching on fire," said Mariola. Photo submitted by M. Mariola



Brad Pelton (12) and Nate Szymczak (12)

"The best part was the limo ride up to Wrigley Field after no sleep. Nobody wanted the night to come to an end, so it didn't," said Pelton. Photo submitted by Karie Larsen



While at the Bunes, Adam Eich (12) attempts to keep the grill lit by adding lighter fluid. Unfortunately, the grill never stayed lit, and the group ended up having to eat s'mores the hard way. Photo submitted by Celine



Kyle Robbins (10)

Racing for first place, Kyle Robbins concentrates on his speed and control while playing a car racing arcade game at Disney Quest in Chicago. "We couldn't have picked a better place to go than Disney Quest because it was just five floors of video games," said Robbins.

Photo submitted by Nikki Luebcke



Kelly Davis (12)

"We left the dance kind of early and went down to Turkey Run where we had rented out a cabin for the weekend. On Sunday, we went canoeing and my boyfriend Brian thought that he would be funny and grab me a child-sized life jacket. I was not amused," said Davis. Photo by Stephanie Black

Andy Wirtz (11)

"After Prom four friends and I went to the Cubs game. We wrote 'Go Cubs,' one letter to each person, on our chests and spent the cold day with our shirts off. It was one of the most fun things ever," said Wirtz. Photo submitted by Andrea Jacobs





Bryan Buchelt (12) and Laurie Leonard (12) model for their caricature drawing at Six Flags. "It was really awkward getting the cartoon drawn because we couldn't see it in the process, but our group could so they kept teasing us about what it looked like," said Buchelt. Photo by A. Rhodes

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rom was an entire weekend event, and a large portion of the celebration did not begin until the dance was over. It was then that loads of couples entered limousines and cars that took them to various destinations around the area.

Chicago was a popular stop for many that weekend who ate at one of the restaurants there or enjoyed other entertainment that it had to offer. "After

the dance, my group and I went to Chicago to eat at the Cheesecake Factory," said Amy Zondor (10). The Cheesecake factory was visited by quite a few couples throughout the night. Aimee Pancini (11) and Dan Knaga (12) were among those couples, and after dessert they took a walk through the city. "During our walk in

Chicago, this couple came up to us and said, 'Congratulations!' Dan and I looked at each other not knowing what to say. Then I realized I was in a big, white dress, and he had his tux on. They must have thought that we just got married. We laughed about that for a while," said Pancini. Other restaurants that attracted crowds included Bin 36, Hard Rock Cafe, Ed Debevics, and the Rainforest Cafe.

Prom activities continued on Sunday and included a trips to Great America or even Turkey Run for canoeing, building bonfires, and camping outs. "Even though we took a detour to Terre Haute on the way to Turkey Run, my group and I had a wonderful time and

kept a funny memory of the weekend," said Becky Hamilton (12).

Building lasting memories with close friends, and even becoming friends with those who were once only acquaintances made the weekend special for most, especially the seniors. -Sarah Pasyk

Open Secrets

After the dance, we took a limo ride up to Chicago to the Signature Room in the John Hancock building. It was really expensive and we did not know how much it was going to cost when we went in there. When we got the check it turned out to be about \$615. All the guys' mouths dropped. From there we went to Stephanie Tithof's house and never went to sleep the whole night. The next morning we went to our houses to shower then met at Bryan Shafer's house. Eleven of us packed into two cars and went to the Cubs game. While there, we were all watching the game while dozing off, and we were all broke and couldn't buy anything. Everyone fell asleep in the car on the way home, and we all slept the rest of that Sunday. - Lacy Holevis (10) Photo submitted by



Danielle Grant

While the song "Pomp and Circumstance" plays, seniors Bryan Cuculich, Dawn Cozart, Lindsey Cox, Steven Councell, and Billy Condron make way to their seats. The high school orchestra performed at the ceremony.
Photo by Giolas



It did not quite hit on Prom or Senior Ditch Day; it became a little more evident at the dress rehearsal and brunch, but it did not hit completely until the final walk across the stage.

At 8:00 at the Star Plaza on the morning of the commencement, students filed into assigned seats as Mr. Andrew Nixon (principal) instructed proper dress and behavior. Seniors then received the Senior Edition of the *Inklings* newspaper and after a quick practice of entering and exiting the auditorium, they left for the Senior Brunch.

About 170 students arrived at the Croatian Center for brunch and over \$1000 worth of prizes "I liked that everyone was together for the last time besides graduation," said Bryan Cuculich (12). Elected class favorites accepted a personalized picture frame inscribed with their award.

After hours of anticipation, the ceremony began as senior choir member sang the *Star Spangled Banner* and Senior Class President Justin Miller (12) welcomed the audience. Student Council President Lindsey Ciochina (12) presented a school portrait painted by Brooke Grazyk (12) and a Bulldog statue with a plaque inscribed with "Forever Guarding the Gates to Our Future". While Nicholas Dimos (12) addressed world issues in his speech, Robby Schrum (12) lightened the atmosphere by transforming himself into Eugene from his role in "Grease".

"I thought it was sad, but I was happy that it was over," said Kelly Klavas (12). **-Melissa Mariola**

Open Secrets

The senior brunch committee asked me to paint the picture of the school when they noticed a painting of the 1973 building, prior to remodeling, painted by Mr. Marian Kellum hanging in the conference room. So, I started working on it in the middle of May. It took me a couple of weeks. I only worked on it during school in the art room. Mrs. Peg Shaffer would let me out of band to work. I thought that it turned out all right, but it was not great. Everyone else liked it though and that was all that mattered. Artists never like their own work. When it was presented at graduation, I was nervous. When the new



school is built, it will hang next to Mr. Kellum's in the entrance...at least that was what I was told. I feel honored that I was asked because we had so many others who were capable. **-Brooke Grazyk** Photo by R. Overbeek

Long awaited fantasy becomes reality

The overcast weather cleared to find students breathing a sigh of relief or wiping away tears of joy and sadness.

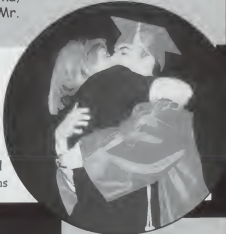


Jennifer Dienes (12) and Janelle Rhodes (12)

Giving words of congratulations, valedictorian Dienes hugs Student Council Secretary Rhodes following the ceremony. Senior class and Student Council officers also had reserved seating on stage with the valedictorians. Dienes honored Mr. Witt as her favorite teacher for she had him in the classroom and as a coach. The other honored teachers included Mrs. Deb Ciochina, Mr. Jeremy Walker, and Mr. Bob Conard. Photo by Gias

Nicholas Dimos (12)

"When Mrs. Ciochina compared me to a gem, what will forever stick in my mind is that I was the same gem as she was. That was the largest honor I had ever received." Photo by Gias



Mike Zubriggen (12)

As the last name alphabetically, Zubriggen followed 450 students in the graduating class. "I tried to get the crowd going and it was the first thing that came to my mind. I thought I got them psych'd up." Photo by Gias



Jill Bradford (12)

"Since my mother worked within the school corporation, she was offered the opportunity to come on stage and to recognize me along side the administrators as I received my diploma. It was an honor to me to be able to have her be up there with me on such a special night." Photo by Gias

Stevie McColley (12)

"We had been waiting twelve years for that night to come and although I was a little nervous, I was really excited to finally be walking across the stage." Photo by Gias



Stephanie Tithof (12), Kelli Hein (12), and Lauren Surbur (12)

At the Senior Brunch, Tithof, Hein, and Surbur watch the full 18 minute video presentation. Created by Mass Media, the video consisted of submitted photos. Photo by R. Overbeke



Celebrations Pressures

MEANINGFUL NONSENSE OFFERS AN ESCAPE FROM SCHOOL ROUTINE

Getting back in school mode could be difficult following all the **celebrations** instituted to create serious fun for students. **Celebrations** gave excitement to the average day of group work, presentations, and college applications. "I liked to hang out with my friends because it was just too hard to have a good time during the school week," said Julie Kiger (10).

After nearly three months off from homework and tests, the first day of school brought students dreaded anticipation. "I went to Indiana Beach right before school started. It was the perfect way to start the school year off," said Danielle Dravet (10). To break up the monotony of day-to-day life, holidays, special school events and dances provided needed distractions. Yet, when the **celebrations** were over, the realization eventually hit that another day of classwork and homework followed and all the **pressures** that came with them. "One minute I was celebrating the turning of the new year with my friends and the next I was worrying about college visits," said Tracey Farnsworth (11).
-Melissa Mariola



What was the biggest pressure you faced?

"School in general was my biggest pressure. For that reason, even though nothing seemed to go right, Homecoming, especially setting up the float, was a great way to release stress."

**Anna Egofske
(10)**

Speaking with Lt. Alex Rasmussen (alumni), David Cole (9) learns about a future in the army. Those who considered futures in the military could speak with recruits during lunches.
Photo by Ashley Rhodes





In order to meet the deadline, Christa Angelov (12) fills out SAT application sheets in the guidance office. College applications, scholarship essays, and SATs were stresses that seniors faced before graduation. Photo by Melissa Mariola

Preparing for their case, Adam Zimmerman (12), Sase Joveski (12), and Nate Reilly (12) watch a video in their business law class. Before their presentation, they had to research the events of their case. Photo by Stephanie Black



In Mr. Conard's AP chemistry class, Alex Webster (11) and Ellen Sistovaris (11) work on a lab assignment. Students were able to earn college credit by taking an AP exam. Photo by Dan Motkowitz



NOW
then...



1. "In yearbook we are constantly faced with deadlines, so the secret Santa gift exchange was a needed break from the pressure," said Katie Reid (12). Photo by R. Overbeeke

2. "After a long season of hard work, the parade was an opportunity for the band to show everyone what we had done and have fun," said Natalie Johnsen (12). Photo by Gialas

3. "I spent most of the summer celebrating with

friends, at the beach, or playing tennis," said Katie Kurowski (12) (with Sarah Archer, 12). Photo submitted by Sarah Archer



During auto shop, Daniel Smith (12) makes the final adjustments to his project. Smith said, "My favorite hour of the day was auto shop because I had the advantage of working on my car, repairing anything I wanted to which made it look and run better." Photo by Giolas

Concentrating on completing a portrayal of the *Inferno*, Stephanie Kelsey (12) carefully puts the finishing touches onto her visual aid. Each student in Mrs. York's World Literature class was required to present a canto from Dante's *Inferno* to the rest of their class which included a summary. Photo by Giolas



Finishing their assignment, B.J. Baranczyk (12), Nikki Borys (12), Suzan Ilgin (12), and Dustin Henderlong (12) work during World Literature class. They were required to make pamphlets containing words of wisdom for incoming freshmen. Photo by R. Overbeeke



Julie Serna (10), Amanda Reilly (9), and Michael Finney (11) wait patiently in the line for their lunches. Midway through the year, the cafeteria sold snacks after school to those in extracurriculars. Photo by Giolas

"Fourth hour choir was definitely my favorite class of the day. Not only did it give me a break from my hectic academic schedule, but it also gave me the chance to enjoy part of the school day." Photo by Giolas

-Kari Winge (9)



"I would have to say that lunch was my favorite time of the day. I was able to relax and hang out with my friends. My only complaint was that twenty-five minutes was not enough time to eat lunch and chat with my friends." Photo by Veronica Dominguez

-Kevin McFadden (9)

Long hours, short days

F A day in the life of a high school student

First hour began at 7:25 a.m. and no matter what class one took, all teachers required students to be prepared once the bell rang. Most students felt that school should not have begun so early. Ashley Kaster (12) said, "I thought that school should have started two hours later. It was hard to concentrate on academic courses when you felt like you were still asleep."

The thing most students looked forward to was the lunch periods, but they expresses some dissatisfaction concerning the times and lines. For some, lunch began at 10:10 in the morning and for other not until 12:05 PM. Both students from the first and last lunch complained. "If you had first lunch, by the end of the day you were starving, and if you had last lunch you were starving by the middle of the day," Nikki Borys (12) said. "Also, without open campus, everyone had to eat in the lunchroom, so the lines were longer. By the time some kids got their lunches, they only had 10-15 minutes to eat it."

Simply Difficult

What was your favorite hour of the day?

1. Lunch (76%)
2. Seventh hour (18%)
3. Sixth hour (4%)
4. First hour (2%)

• Based on 50 students

After lunches, students began to anticipate the end of the day. Once students heard Mrs. Judy Duffala (secretary) voice for the closing announcements, they realized that the day had come to an end and the next one was approaching. **-Farren Roark and Wendy Splitgerber**

By his drama locker, Ryan Fleming (12) reads one of his favorite magazines, "Maxim", during his lunch period. Because he did not have enough time throughout the day to study, Fleming chose to use his lunch period as a study hall. Photo by Giolas

Easily Challenging

Students chose to endure difficult yet fun tasks

School, student council, basketball, soccer, and softball. All of these activities made up Melissa Cooper's (9) hectic life. Easier said than done. "There was an incredible amount of pressure to keep up my grades and to excel in extracurricular activities," she said.

Being involved in after school activities meant maintaining a grade point

average of 2.0 or higher and devoting numerous hours to after-school meetings, games, competitions. etc. For example, athletes spent anywhere from one hour a day, once a week, to six hours a day, six times a week practicing. "In football we had to practice 25-30 hours a week which limited my free time," said Brian Pante (12).

In addition, students had to discover a way to project the proper attitude in order to be permitted to participate in a sport or club activity.

Mrs. Debbie Cuffia (tennis coach) said, "I expected my players to strive for academic excellence and to

Simply Difficult

What was most challenging?

1. Future plans (47.5%)
2. Getting good grades (25%)
3. Meeting parents expectations (20%)
4. Being around peers (2.5%)

* Based on 40 students

be cooperative, hard-working, and enthusiastic."

School work was a challenge in itself, but many students chose to go further and apply themselves in other positive ways. Although the never ending challenges may have seemed like a burden, the reward was a brighter path into the future. -Farren Roark & Wendy Splitgerber

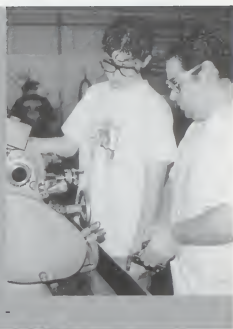
Working together to complete an in-class earthquake project during Earth Science, Candice Robinson (9) and Whitney Brown (9) construct a building using popsicle sticks, toothpicks, and glue. "Doing activities makes learning new concepts seem more interesting and less difficult," said Robinson. Photo by Jessica Koscielniak

Working hard to smooth her clay pot, Anna Jessen (12) concentrates on perfecting the last coil. Jessen said, "Arts and Ideas was a favorable distraction from my more academically challenging courses." Photo by Giolas





While working in the machine shop, William Mundo (11), and Eric Frahm (12) learn how to use a lathe. This skill was useful in the later projects requiring lathe work. In order to make future challenges easier, machine shop taught students the fundamentals first. Photo by Wendy Splitgerber



During a Suburban Roots meeting, Dave Davison (11) and Seth Norwalk (alumni) perform an original song. Davison said, "Suburban Roots provided relaxation from everyday difficulties and responsibilities. It also allowed students to express themselves creatively as well as artistically." Photo by Sarah Pasyk



"During the play I was faced with added challenges. Along with the usual pressures of balancing schoolwork, family, and friends, I also had to deal with tedious after school practices."

Photo by Trey Williams

-Rachel Easton (12)



"In order to get ready for the game, the football team would always have a big dinner the evening before. It helped us to relax and mentally prepare for the game with our teammates." Photo by Veronica Dominguez

-Christopher Kutanovski (10)



After reading *The Great Gatsby*, Kelly Sapita (10), Branko Alavanja (10), Ashley Amodeo (10), Joe Anello (10), and Chris Argos (10) perform the hotel scene. Along with presenting a section of the book, they were also responsible for creating the set. Photo by Sarah Pasyk



In the Indiana Room of the public library, librarian Mrs. Betsy Swan helps Peter Besette (11) and John Horst (11) research about their town for the Crown Point Legacy Project. Mrs. Debra Ciocchina's Advanced Placement English class worked together to compile this book about Crown Point's history. Photo by Asma Khalid

While reading their lines, Brian Walter (12), Jill Bradford (12), Audrey Bail (12), Hatim Alami (12), and Kristen Grompone (12) act out a scene from "Le Fantôme de L'Opera" in their French class. Foreign languages classes studied culture along with the study of the language. Photo by Ashley Rhodes



Working carefully, Amanda Sprehe (12) and Valarie Schweitzer (12) dissect their pig for Biology 2. Students in Mr. Loving's class dissected the pig all year long, body system by body system. Photo Dan Motkowicz

"I thought that working together in groups helped a great deal because it allowed everyone to share their ideas, which just made assignments much easier." Photo by Ashley Rhodes

-Nicole Lincoln (12) with
Brian Stokoski (11)



"I liked group work because it was easier to understand and more beneficial in learning how to work on an activity with people other than just yourself." Photo by Ashley Rhodes

-Tim Gramenz (10) with
Mark Olink (10) and Steve
Etter (10)

Individual Collaborations

Group work provides fun learning tool

Teachers previously used flash cards, lectures and study guides to drill information into students' heads. However, to make the learning process more interesting, teachers incorporated Socratic seminars and group activities into the curriculum.


Although the activities provided a more interesting way to learn, they also created a bigger challenge for students. Mrs. Debra Ciochina's Advanced Placement English class researched various aspects of Crown Point's history and with the results compiled a 142-page book. "This project, called the *C.P. Legacy Project* was fun and interesting because I learned things about Crown Point that I never knew before. I liked the fact that we got to work with a partner because we could find more information," said Paul Schmidt (11).

No matter how interesting a class discussion became, a few students never participated. However, teachers gave those who were a little on the shy side the

opportunity to speak their minds through Socratic seminars. "Socratic seminars were a great way to share ideas and get different perspectives on the topics that we were learning," said Bryan Cuculich (12).

Whether it was debates or projects, new teaching methods increased student participation and effort. —Ashley Rhodes

During AP Chemistry, Mr. Bob Conard (Science) explains a lab to Karen Haley (12) and Jennifer Barr (12). Students in the class participated in lengthy, involved labs at several time throughout the semester. Photo by Lisa Knopf



Mrs. Debra Ciochina (English) shows her students the enthusiasm they should use when reciting lines from Robert Frost's "The Road Not Taken". The group's goal was to resemble the trendy 60s commercials. Photo by Lisa Knopf

Simply Difficult

What did students prefer?

1. Studying individually (36%)
 2. Learning with a partner (30%)
 3. Reviewing with a small group (21%)
 4. Participating in an in-class group activity (13%)
- Survey of 40 students

Restricted Choices

Present plans determine future destinations

From colleges they wanted to attend, to the careers they hoped to pursue, to the armed served they thought about joining, students looked toward the future with both a sense of excitement and a little fear. Whatever the goal, students reported looking forward to good times. Leslie Schreiber (10) said, "In my future I wanted to be happy which did not mean making money, but traveling the U.S."

Simply Difficult

What were students' plans after high school?

1. Attending a four-year college (86%)
 2. Working after high school (7%)
 3. Attending technical schools (6%)
 4. Attending community college (1%)
- Survey of 40 students

In order for students to fulfill their dreams, they realized that they had to set the groundwork. Shannon Morfin (11) considered both psychology and dentistry and said, "I took psychology, sociology, business classes, and composition classes to help prepare me."

Tanya Bertram (11) wanted to become an engineer, and said, "I took all of the advanced classes that I could so I wouldn't have to take them in college."

Aside from career choices, students had definite opinions about where they wanted to live. Charlie Amodeo (12) said, "I wanted to live in a place right

downtown in a major U.S. city." However, Colleen Cash (10) wanted to stay closer to home. "Hopefully, I can stay close to my family," she said.

From Justin McConnell's (12) desire to become a chef, to Lauren Rhodes' (10) hope of becoming a pediatrician, students prepared to take different roads.-

Veronica Dominguez

During Technical Drawing, Tanya Bertram (11) completes her design. Bertram said, "I took advantage of the computer classes. I considered going to Purdue to pursue some type of computer engineering." Photo by Wendy Splitgerber





Moving down the field, Carly Link (11) dribbles the ball towards the goal. She played the position of mid-field. Link said, "I planned on playing soccer in college. I have played soccer since the age of 4 and figured that I would miss the competition and environment of the sport if I did not continue to play." Photo by Giolas



Sheena Sum (10) signs up for her counselor while Nicole Chirillo (11) awaits to meet with Mr. Richard Rucinski (counselor). Sum said, "Mrs. Margie Sharp (counselor), helped me choose the classes that were best for me. She also helped me consider the colleges that provided the best interest for my future plans." Photo by Veronica Dominguez



"The most rewarding aspect of performing was the chance to make people smile and the ability to express myself through performing arts." Photo by Chase Overbeeke

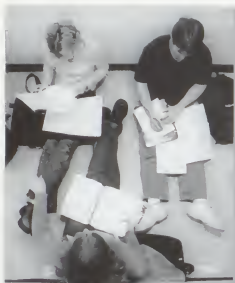
-Paul Fleming (12)

"I was influenced by the bands such as Oasis and Sublime. I enjoyed playing music on my acoustic guitar and just keeping it real. I had an extreme love of music." Photo submitted by Kyle Shimko

-Kyle Shimko (10)



Planning on pursuing a career involving the arts, Kristina Chlebowski (12) completes her "self cartoon". Chlebowski said, "I wanted to go to art school in Chicago to study animation." Photo by Stephanie Black



To make use of their free time after rehearsal in band class, Sarah Lankford (11), Katie Van Sessen (11), and Steve Hamilton (11) study for their chemistry test. The three agreed that it was a considerable inconvenience when all of their major tests in their classes would land on the same day.

Photo by Gialas

The overcrowding of the C-lunch early in the school year forced Brady Chalos (9) to eat on a staircase. Chalos said, "The tables were all so crowded, so I chose to eat there." After a few days the lunch periods were balanced. At semester B-lunch was dropped altogether to prevent a split 4th hour. Photo by Wendy Splitgerber



Enjoying lunch, Doug Olson (11), Chris Cook (11), Steve Miller (11), Pat McInerney (11), and Jeff Walsh (11) chat with each other about their daily hassles. Cook said, "Lunch was a good time for me to just relax."

Photo by Farren Roark



"One of the things that made school worse was having to get up so early. It would have been better if school started later and we were allowed to sleep longer." Photo by Wendy Splitgerber

-Jordan Dutz (11)



"My biggest pet peeve was having to write essays for English class. Grammar was one concept that I just could not seem to grasp, and that made writing a complete nuisance." Photo by R. Overbeeke

-Mary Balmes (12)

Least Favorite


Simple inconveniences add to stress levels

In addition to a full day of challenging courses, students also had to endure the hassles of everyday annoyances, such as crowded halls, cold lunches and demanding teachers.

With only five to six minutes between classes, depending on the hour, students found making it on time to be a difficult endeavor. Sarah Podkul (12) said, "I liked the passing periods because I got to see all of my friends, but the halls were so packed that I could barely make my way through."

Others had to cope with the nuisance of late lunch periods, which brought growling stomachs and made concentrating difficult during fifth hour. "By the time I got to lunch, I was starved, and it seemed that the food was either cold or from the previous day," said Chris Rettker (11).

In addition, every student, at one time or another, had a teacher that they just could not tolerate. "Some teachers could be mean and others did not seem to



During 2nd year biology, Andrew Kramer (12) dissects a baby pig. Kramer said, "Being difficult did not hinder my love for work or make my life boring." Photo by Joe Motkiewicz

Simply Difficult

What were students' major pet peeves?

1. Closed campus lunch (47%)
2. Crowded hallways (31%)
3. Conflicts with teachers (15%)
4. Cold lunches (7%)

Survey of 45 students

care about their students at all," said Jonathon Hagarbome (9). If it was not a problem with their teachers' personalities, their teaching methods could create annoyances. Kendra Rather (10) said, "I did not have any direct problems with individual teachers, just with the variety of teaching styles that I was approached with." -Farren Roark

While concentrating on a psychology lecture, Hillary Landis (12) sits on a carpet mat instead of in a standard desk. Mr. Arthur Equihua (social studies) graciously offered several of his desks to the sophomores who were taking the required ISTEP tests. Photo by Melissa Mariola



To keep her balance, Jill Schiesser (12) steadies herself while climbing for her first time at Omega Sports Complex in Hobart. Schiesser has continued to climb because she felt it was a different kind of experience.

Photo by Cynthia Mota

Relaxing at friend Natalie Nix's house, Lauren Hostinsky (12) and Kelly Manfred (12) watch "Friends" together. Relaxing and spending time with friends often created the best memories according to Manfred.

Photo by Stephanie Black



1. Seeing Enid said everyone a chance to show that they could be their best quality.

NOW
then...

said Renee Easton (12) (with Ashley Bush, 12 and Tim Walsh, 12).

2. I did not really have any very interesting story books, but I talked to my best friend Janis Pittman (9) on the phone — said Lauren Nix (12).

3. In my kindergarten class, Mrs. Vince was cool about working with friends. I thought this was easy. I was why? — said Lauren Nix (12).



Just hours before the Turnabout dance, Natalie Nix (12) shops with her date Bryan Cuculich (12). Shopping together for dance attire was common for couples. Photo submitted by Natalie Nix



After school, everyday I liked being with my us, sit back and relax without worrying. Whether I meant watching some televisions or reading a book, I escaped from all of the pressures and stress of the regular school day.

Marisa
Fernandez (9)

TO BREAK MONOTONY STUDENTS FORM THEIR OWN SPONTANEOUS PLANS



Waking up early every morning in order to get to school before the initial bell at 7:25 in addition to the amount of schoolwork, homework, and extracurricular activities students faced each day made every free moment feel just that much better.

Finding time to slow down, take a deep breath and relax brought some of the best times for students.

"I was pretty busy, and I usually did not have much time to relax. When I did, I loved taking jogs or bubble baths; they allowed me to clear my mind," said Lauren Rhodes (10). Friends could be counted on to lend an ear or a helping hand to make life's obstacles a little more bearable. Consequently, friendships encompassed everyday activities like fashion and hobbies. "I became close friends with the people who I met on my sports

teams," said Jennifer Strempek (9).

Breaks and weekends brought the necessary relaxation and release from the chaotic challenges of daily school work. "When I came back to school after breaks, I felt like I had forgotten everything," said Leslee Zona (11). **-Melissa**

Mariola



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Relationships

Singular Personalities create relationships

From seniors to freshmen, friendships and other relationships were evident in various ways, shapes and forms.

Scott Bonesteel (12) and Amanda Bernard (12)

"I would rather have been in a committed relationship because I could find someone I truly cared about. I thought that was the best feeling in the world to know that Amanda was there for me," said Bonesteel. Photo by Bonesteel.



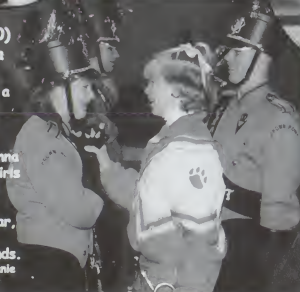
Aaron Juarez (10) with Anna Rollins (9)

"The reason I chose an exclusive relationship over dating around was because I liked the fact that someone would always be there for me," said Juarez. Photo by Gialos



Sabrina Morgan (10) and Jeanna Dines (9)

Morgan says a quick hello during the homecoming game to Jeanna Dines. The girls did not meet until Dines' freshman year, but quickly became friends. Photo by Stephanie Black



Kristin Frank (11) and Kyle Long (11)

Tired from their trip, Frank and Long rest their eyes to catch up on sleep. The couple flew into Kansas City, Missouri for the National Scholastic Press Association Convention as both were actively involved in the production of the *Inklings* school newspaper. Photo by Ashley Rhodes



Kathy Kutanovski (12), Carly Link (11) and Alex Webster (11)

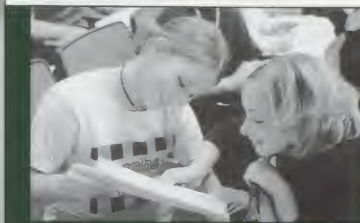
"One of my favorite things about soccer season was that I was able to make new friends and become closer to the friends I already had on the team. It was during practices that we became closer than ever both as friends and as a team," said Kutanovski. Photo by Gialos



Tanya Ivey (10) and Kyung Min (12)

Ivey and Min are a couple who are very close. They are both members of the school newspaper, the *Inklings*. They are also both members of the school band. They are very close friends and are always together. Photo by Gialos





"When I was with my friends I saw a new part of myself that I might not have found without them," said Amy Kennedy (9). Kennedy and Mallory Micheals (9), had fifth hour study hall together.

Photo by Gias



group of friends, a best friend, a good friend, a girlfriend, a boyfriend, an enemy... it was almost impossible to escape one of these types of relationships and everyone had their own preferences and ideas about how to "hook up" with the right people.

Of the student population 56 percent said they preferred dating one person exclusively to dating several people. "I believed you got from point 'A' to point 'B' a lot quicker in a steady relationship. I felt that I received more

out of dating just one person than I could dating ten," said Jason Kranz (12). John Beauchump (11) agreed, "Being in a relationship made me happy that I had someone to talk to about problems and to depend on." However, 29 percent preferred a variety of dates. Tom Sarnecki (12) said, "Long-term relationships were

pointless. Dating around, on the other hand, gave you the benefits of being in a long-term relationship without all the seriousness and commitment."

One of many reasons for having friends was relieving the pressures of school. Maggie Fleming (12) said, "Having friends shaped the person I became. They helped me make decisions that affected my entire life."

Ashley Davis (9) agreed. "Friends helped take my mind off school. They made me in a better mood when I was upset."

Students had many options of what to do with friends. Jorie Arnold (9) said, "My friends and I liked to meet at games. I was always happy to be around them." **-Stephanie Black**

Open Secrets

Dustin and I started dating during the summer of our junior year, but we really did not date. It was one of those instances when we just knew we were together. It was the best summer of my life. I fell in love. However, I found out I had to move to Colorado in the middle of my senior year. We took the news hard. We wanted to be together as much as possible until the day I had to leave. The sad thing was that we pushed everyone away, not on purpose of course. It was so important for us to be



together all of the time that we did not make time for our friends. Dustin planned on going to college in Colorado as I planned to make visits back. We both just wanted everything to work out. He made me a better person. I could not have asked for a better friend. He always had a special place in my heart. **-Amber Walters (12)** photo by Stephanie Black

Spending time with friends, eating out, bowling, watching a movie, walking around the mall, or playing pool provided entertainment for those who had a little cash to spend. For those who did not have the money, hanging out at one another's homes and just talking or watching television helped students unwind. Shanna Schmelter said, "My usual weekend was spent with my closest friends just hanging out, but we would sometimes go to the movies and the mall for some variety when nothing else was going on." Katie Braggs (11) said, "I went to the mall and the movies a lot with big groups of people."

Sundays were generally spent either with families, at church, or preparing for yet another week of school. Jenn Anderson (12) said, "On Sundays I went to church with my dad, and then I liked to spend the rest of the day just relaxing." Schmelter added, "I went to church and then laid around and put off my homework 'till around 9 or 10 o'clock."

Weekends were not all about relaxing and having fun, however. Kyle Grzych (11) said, "On the weekends, I usually worked at my job or at home. At home I would fix my snowmobiles and dirt bikes." **-Danielle Schott**



Weekends

Mild contrasts direct weekend plans

After a long week of studying and juggling after-school activities, students looked forward to weekends without school.

Emily Corbin (10) and Keri Cuculich (10)

"On the weekends my friends and I usually went over to people's houses and just hung out, but if someone was having a party, then we went there. There was not much to do here (Crown Point) on the weekends, so we usually had to make our own fun," said Corbin. Photo by Kelly McMahon

Nate Reilly (12)

Bowling at the local bowling alley, the Superbowl, Reilly checks out the player's scores. He went there on a Friday night with a few of his friends to have some fun after a boys' home basketball game. Photo by Kari Larsen

Lauren Hostinsky (12) and Natalie Nix (12)

"I usually spent time with my friends just hanging out on the weekends. It gave us a chance to get away from school and just have fun," said Hostinsky. Photo by Melissa Mariela

Mike Turner (11)

At home with his friends, Mike Turner relaxes and enjoys his weekend. "On the weekends I liked drinking soda pop and getting away from my friends," he said. Photo by Danielle Schott

Andrew Eriks (9)

Playing a game of cards with friends, Eriks contemplates his next move. Groups played cards in the cafeteria at lunch and during study halls. Photo by Danielle Schott

Colleen Genetos (11) and Shannon Morfin (11)

"My friends and I had so much fun hanging out together. We spent many great weekends at Stephanie Swanson's (11) house. They were also a chance for me to catch up on my sleep," said Genetos. Photo by Danielle Schott



Breaks

Partially complete year causes impatience

Breaking up the school year, Winter and Spring

Breaks as well as days off provided times to relax, as well as a time to travel the world.

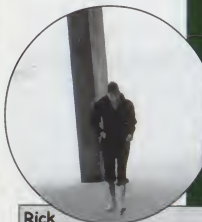
Kristine Reid (9)

"I went to Tybee Island in Savannah, Georgia with my family for Spring Break. I thought that Spring Break came at a perfect time in the year because school had become so overwhelming by February that I could not even stand being there any more." Photo by Katie Reid



Kristine Rasmussen (12), Ashley Rhodes (12) and Rachel Easten (12)

"It was great to get away on the Spring Break, especially with my friends. I used to live in New York City and that was the first time I had been back. I wish I could have stayed longer." Photo submitted by A. Rhodes



Rick Sauerman (11), Josh Sauerman (9) and Brandon Boyer (11)

"Breaks were necessary to survive the year. Mentally I had trouble getting through the year without breaks," said Sauerman. Photo by R. Overbeek



Kathy Shaw (11) and Lindsey Valentino (12)

"I went to New York City with a group of fellow students for Spring Break. Our tour guide took about twenty of us onto the Brooklyn Bridge. It was really fun. Other than the fact that I spent way too much money, it was an awesome experience." Photo by Ashley Rhodes



Amanda Bernard (12), Kim Padowski (12), Allison Ruess (12), Kelly Klavas (12) and Jessica Knight (12)

"My friends and I went to San Diego for seven days. We drove my uncle's Mercedes Benz and got lost quite often, but getting lost in California was fun," said Bernard. Photo submitted by A. Ruess

Jason Roberts (12)

"I enjoyed playing in the snow with my friends. It was a great experience. I was a little bit of a snow machine with all my friends. I enjoyed it when it was snowing. I got to spend time with them." Photo submitted by A. Ruess





**Courtney Svirha
(12) Erin Shanley (12)**

"Spring Break was awesome! I went to Sarasota, Florida for ten days. The weather was beautiful the entire time. My friends and I went parasailing and relaxed the whole trip. Spring Break was a great opportunity to relax and get away from school and work," said Svirha. Photo submitted by Erin Shanley

Students took the time given during the school year to travel the country. Many chose to head to the southern tip for a Spring Break in Florida. Some took a trip to the "Big Apple" for a musical festival. Whether students decided to stay home for the Winter and Spring Breaks or had the opportunity to visit some place else, most enjoyed the time off from school.

Open Secrets

We woke up to 80 degree weather with sunshine. Then, we drove around Pasadena so we could map out the route from the Rose Bowl parade to the game. Afterwards, we went to the stadium to join in the festivities and see the flower floats being made. The flowers were from thirteen different countries all around the world. Game day was crazy. The Rose Bowl parade started at 9 in the morning. A million people attend each year and they closed many roads, so we had to leave early. We finished the parade at 11:30 and headed to the stadium. We arrived an hour and a half early so we bought our hot dogs and coke and sat down. Eight minutes before the game began, we realized we were in the wrong seats. Instead of just moving over two sections, security made us leave the stadium and re-enter. My family and I were about to re-enter when all of the exits were blocked. Consequently, we missed the opening ceremony. Once inside the stadium, we had a great time. It was a chance of a lifetime, even though Purdue lost. -Nick Dimos (12)



Beginning on December 20th and ending on January 2nd, students used the Winter Break for various reasons. "I spent my time with both friends and family. I also caught up on my sleep," said Victoria Liss (12). With the cold weather, some students chose to play in the snow. "I made snowmen and ran around outside. I never wanted to come back to school," said Dave Swenson (9)

Spring Break provided a time to travel for students. "I went to the Grand Cayman Islands with Mike Turner (11). The weather was awesome. It was very hot and sunny," said Mike Momper (11). With their warm weather and sunny beaches Florida was a popular get-away among students. "A group of friends and I went to Siesta Key, Florida for ten days. The weather was warm and sunny plus it was nice to get away," said Jenn Anderson (12). Not everyone left town however. Kelly Fricke said, "I had to stay home for the break because of baseball, but I did not care. I liked taking my mind off school."

"I thought breaks gave the best feeling. I loved knowing that I did not have to get up early in the morning to go to school," said Jackie Witt (12). Bryan Buchelt (12) agreed, "Breaks were definitely necessary to survive the year." -Stephanie Black

Wearing their flared-boot-cut jeans and stretchy pants Kristen Pavlovik (12), Megan Mulholland (10), Jennifer Maynard (12) and Katherine Metros (12) wait for the bell. The waistlines of the pants took a drop becoming more like hiplines.

Photo by Giolas



ame town, same school... over nineteen hundred different styles! In the one hundred and eighty-five school days attended, students managed to express themselves through individual styles. Anything from the "prep look" to the "punk look" turned the classrooms into diverse settings. Emily Steiger (12) said, "I made my style unique by sewing some of my clothes or accessories, like purses. Then they were one-of-a-kind and definitely unique."

Southlake Mall only had limited sources for fashion purchases. However, resale shops provided many opportunities. Danny Mellis (10) said, "I liked to shop at thrift shops because there was a wide variety."

However, some students chose comfort over style. "Sweats, looser fitting pants, and sweaters were some things I wore to be comfortable," said Ericka Nance (12). Sidra Malik (11) agreed, "I was not concentrating on how I looked."

Tattoos and body piercings were trendy. From the noticeable eyebrow to the somewhat hidden belly button, and to the standard ear piercing, students could express their individuality. Regarding tattoos, Erin Shanley (12) said, "I thought they were all right only in moderation, but I did not think they were attractive when they covered the entire body."

Amanda Ritter (12) said, "My tattoo was a painful experience, but it was meaningful because I had it done on my eighteenth birthday. I did not think I would ever regret it because it was a symbol of my youth." -Katelin Klepsch



Open Secrets

Once seventh grade Kelly McMahonia (11) and I had a bunch of our friends at the movie theater. Our only ride was having two hours before the movie even started. We decided to walk around the mall first to kill some time. While we were in the mall, Kelly walked for close to me around a corner forcing my right foot up against one of these pointers in the mall. My ankles buckled and I fell backwards into the planter. As I lay in the dirt a customer started laughing and saying, "I

stood up and there was dirt all over my pants. I had to get all the movies with that. I never mentioned it. It was really embarrassing, but we were all laughing hysterically about it for the rest of the day." Alison Bishop (11)

Unique conformities top expressions

Performing the art of Henna, Khalid creates a bracelet out of ink. "Henna is part of our culture. We decorate our hands with it on holidays and at weddings. I'm not particularly good, but some of my friends can make extremely intricate designs," said Khalid. Photo by Stephanie Black

"My hair was my way of expressing myself. I liked to let it grow out. I thought my clothes were also a way that showed my personality. I purchased them from thrift shops, not Abercrombie and Fitch," said Shimko.

Photo by Veronica Dominguez

Displaying a recent trend among girls, Ashley Davis makes her way to her next class. Davis said, "When I put my hair up, I liked to put a scarf or bandana in it to make it look better." Photo By

"I always rode in the 'whale' (van) with my friends and it didn't have any heat, so in the winter I was always cold. I liked to wear turtlenecks because they kept me warm and I liked the style and how they looked." Photo by Veronica Domínguez

Stas, who had all of his piercings done at Roy Boys Tattoos, said, "I liked the way they looked." Photo by Stephanie Black

Activities

Teenage logic creates relaxing times

To escape hectic school life, students turn to hobbies to release stress. Students found that having hobbies was an easy way to relax.

Ben Rock (12)

"Andrew Russell (12) and I usually skated in Chicago. Both of us had been skating for about four years. Skating was fun for the both of us and it was also a way to escape the stresses that are put on us by going to school and doing school work."

Photo submitted by Ben Rock



Kara Gora (11)

"My hobby was making jewelry. I liked to make it for both myself and my friends. Although I really liked designing the jewelry, I enjoyed seeing the finished product. I hoped to pursue the career of design in the future."

Photo by Karie Larsen



Jorie Arnold (9)

"I had been in karate for six years. I took lessons at the YMCA every Monday and Wednesday. I liked karate because it taught me self-respect and self-control. I also learned a lot and made many friends."

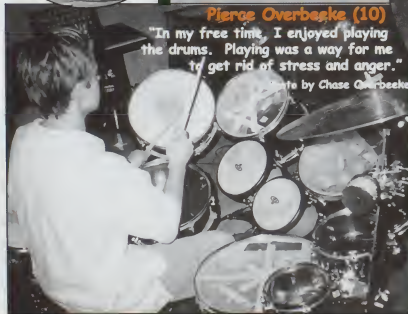
Photo by Karie Larsen



Pierce Overbeke (10)

"In my free time, I enjoyed playing the drums. Playing was a way for me to get rid of stress and anger."

Photo by Chase Overbeke



Angie Spadoni (11)

"Figure skating kept me in good throughout the year. It also helped me around my schedule. I loved the feeling I got when landing a jump that I struggled with. I enjoyed it very much."



Sidra Malik (11)

"I painted because I felt like it was the one thing I did well. I would like to expand on my art skills, but I am too busy. This helped me to get away from stresses of life. Art was not necessarily my expression, it was my escape. I also often played music while I painted, it helped my brush flow."

Photo by Karie Larsen



At the first choir concert of the year, Jim Walsh (12) plays the bass guitar. Playing music was one of Walsh's favorite activities so he played in the jazz band and for his church's youth group.

Photo by Veronica Dominguez

To escape their stressful school lives, many students occupied their free time with hobbies and other activities. Hobbies helped students to relax, have fun, and forget about school life. Kathleen Shaw (11) said, "In my free time, my favorite thing to do was sleep. It made the world go away." Steve Doffin (11) said, "I want to be an actor when I get older. In my free time, my hobby was watching movies."

On the other hand, some students chose a more creative outlet to relieve the pressures of school. Some were active in sports, music, or art programs after the school day ended. Liz Lewis (11) said, "I ran in cross country because it kept me in shape, and it was also a way to meet people from different schools. I had a lot of fun."

Others had similar ways of relaxation. Mindy Oliphant (11) said,

"My hobby was bowling because it was both competitive and fun." On the other hand, Michael Finney's (11) hobby was playing music. Finney said, "In my free time I created beautiful music with instruments."

Continuing with trends from the past, students still enjoyed skating. Jordan Struebig (9) said, "I rode dirt bikes and skated. I liked it because it showed I could do new things and it kept me in shape for sports."

Marc West (9), who liked to skate in his free time said, "I liked to skateboard. I may have been a beginner, but discovering new tricks was exciting." West also liked to draw. "I liked drawing animation; it was better than drawing other things." -Karie Larsen

Open Secrets

"Passion. Everyone had a passion, mine was dancing. Throughout my entire life dance had been my main focus. I started ballet dancing at the age of 3 and soon I was learning jazz, modern, tap, and even ballroom. I was considered a senior soloist (the highest level of dance next to professional). My dancing also gave me the opportunity to travel the world. I traveled to Cancun as well as a trip on The Big Red Boat. It was a wonderful experience. I also taught dance at Imperial Dance Studio. I took approximately ten hours of dance a week. I hoped to stay dancing and teaching for the rest of my life." -Emily Steiger (12)

Submitted by: E Steiger



Relaxation Alternatives

MEANINGFUL NONSENSE OFFERS AN ESCAPE FROM SCHOOL ROUTINE

To compensate for the repetitiveness of core class work, electives and alternative classroom learning styles were incorporated to ease pressure and create a more relaxed atmosphere. While outside of school, students found shelter and relaxation in friendships and weekend activities. From first to seventh period, they searched for the same refuge in their courses.

"Art 1 & 2 let me express myself through my projects and I could use the class as a creative outlet," said Alexis Crissinger (9). Meanwhile, those who wanted an opportunity to expand their knowledge for future endeavors earned experience through vocational and on-site courses. Jeffrey Jones (10) said, "Learning how to use machines in machine shop was the best advantage." In addition, a computer training course called CISCO was offered for the first year.

Field trips, although more common to upperclassmen, were instituted by teachers in order to specify areas of study. "In Peer Resource, we took a trip to a sports complex where we went rock climbing," said Kelley Thorsen (9). According to Mr. Don Bernacky, the trip helped build relationships. —Melissa



**What was
your
favorite
elective?**

I actually had two favorites.

Advanced art gave me a chance to express myself during fourth hour, and gave me a chance to relax. Newspaper was a great way to make friends and work with others.

**Kristina
Chelbowski (12)**





In their third period Arts and Ideas class, Kyle Knutson (11) and Brandon Spokelja (12) create coil pots. Students in the Arts and Ideas class participated in a Medieval Trade Fair on the 13th of March. Photo by Stephanie Black

Concentrating on their projects, Josh Zacher (12) and Jim Smith (11) work during their fourth period technical drawing class. For further computer training, students were offered a CISCO course once a week after school. Photo by Stephanie Black



At soccer tournament in Evansville, Nicole Nowaczky (12) jogs on the treadmill as Lauren Koker (9) supervises. The team went to the YMCA to condition one night. Photo by Dan Motkowitz



NOW then...

1. "The best part of breaks was having time to spend with friends" said Matt Zaleski (11).

Photo by Ashley Rhodes

2. "I started to skate when I was six and I fell in love. Skating was challenging but relaxing at the same time," said Angela Spadoni (11). Photo submitted by Angie Spadoni

3. "One day we spent a day watching Disney movies and drinking pop.

It was days like those that I wished would last," said Andrea Jacobs (12) (with Rachel Easton, 12) Photo submitted by Andrea Jacobs

Educational Fun

F Field trips take learning to the extreme

Field trips gave students the chance to learn in a unique way by allowing students to leave the conventional classroom for a short period of time. Besides escaping school for a day, field trips put classroom knowledge into a real life situation. Lauren Tracy (10) said, "Going to Chicago was one of the highlights of my housing class. It helped me better understand what we had been learning in the class."

Simply Difficult

What was the best aspect of field trips?

1. Getting out of school (61%)
2. Spending time with friends (23%)
3. No homework (11%)
4. Learning in a new atmosphere (5%)


*Based on 50 students

Although field trips were supposed to be a way to escape the stresses of school, things did not always go as planned. Weather conditions delayed the Medieval Times trip from December until March, which resulted in some attendance problems among the World Literature classes. Jen Anderson (12) said, "I thought it was unfair that the students who ditched school were not allowed to attend the rescheduled trip." Also, the first semester economics field trip to the Chicago Board of Trade was cancelled because of the icy conditions.

Depending on which classes one took, students traveled to various destinations. Foods classes travelled to the grocery store for one hour, while publications staffs attended conferences at Ball State, Franklin College and even in Kansas City.

Wherever one went, field trips were better than classwork any day. -Farren Roark and Wendy Splitgerber

Audrey Bail (12) and Brian Bauner (12) sell ring holders and jewelry containers at the Trade Fair. Students who took Arts and Ideas were required to make crafts and sell them to their peers at a reasonable price. This annual field trip was held outside the auditorium from first to fifth hour. Photo by R. Overbeek



Kelly Davis (12), Jessica Ohlenkamp (12), and Heather Burns (12) watch as the yellow knight is knocked off his horse. After reading the *Nibelungenlied*, a Medieval epic, the students visited Medieval Times.

Photo by R. Overbeek





Shopping for Christmas gifts on a Saturday at the Water Tower Place, Adam Eich (12) and Matthew Boyd (12) finalize their purchases at FAO Schwartz. The two travelled to Chicago with the foreign language department for a day filled of shopping and German festivities. Photo by Jessica Koscielniak



Deciding on which classes to take, Ashley Mann (11) and Stephanie Black (12) look over the course schedule. Mann said, "At Franklin I learned how to design layouts for the yearbook." Mrs. Rhonda Overbeeke (advisor) takes publications students to this convention each year to help them sharpen their skills. Photo by Melissa Mariola



"Going to Chicago with my housing class was lots of fun. The field trip let us enjoy the entire day out of school and to see the different interesting sights of the city." Photo submitted by J. Ratazzi

-Maggie Fleming (12)

"It was exciting when the yellow knight was winning all of the events. He ended up dying, but I still really enjoyed myself at Medieval Times."

Photo by R. Overbeeke

-Amanda Bernard (12)
with Brian Suchelt (12)



Taking a break from their encounter with Chicago's best architecture, Mrs. Ratazzi's housing class takes a moment to pose for the camera. The class visited the Harrington Institute of Design and were later accompanied on a tour. Photo submitted by J. Ratazzi



At Meridian Title, Lauren Surber (12) summarizes a document on the computer while she answers the telephone. Surbur, who was the vice-president of H.E.R.O., said, "I felt that I really benefited from H.E.R.O. because it gave me the chance to learn how to save and manage my money."

Photo by Wendy Splitgerber

While attempting to repair the hydraulics of a city snow plow, Wes Derks (12) works at the city garage. Derks said, "Working for the city five days a week gave me the experience in the work field I wanted to enter later. In the future, I wished to one day be an auto diesel mechanic."

Photo by Wendy Splitgerber



Mrs. Sharon Aldrich (Consumer Sciences) assists Patricia Burditt (12), who was employed by St. John Ice Arena and Service Merchandise. Mrs. Aldrich critiques students in the job place and provides them with advice. Photo by Wendy Splitgerber

"I took H.E.R.O. so I would have more time for an after school job. I needed to make some extra spending money for car insurance, gas, and activities." Photo by Wendy Splitgerber

-Dave Thomas (12)



"In H.E.R.O., we learned how to set goals for ourselves and how to prepare ourselves for the workforce. Having the opportunity of going out into the real world and trying to support myself financially was a good experience." Photo by Wendy Splitgerber

-Douglas Machalk (11)

Independent Schedule

CH.E.R.O. provides chances for on-site training

Could you imagine what it would have been like to go to school for a half day, every day? Emily Steiger (12) said, "I just liked not being in school for the entire day. I felt like I had so much freedom to be able to leave school before the crowds."

There was more to the H.E.R.O. program than just leaving school for a half day. Jen Kalembe (12) said, "I wanted to go to law school and H.E.R.O. gave me the chance to work in an actual law firm before college." Students were required to work fifteen to thirty hours a week. Robin Schilling (12) said, "I worked at Deaf Services, Inc. five days a week. I wanted to become a sign language interpreter or a teacher for deaf students."

Holding a part time job was not the only requirement for acceptance to the program. Each person applied in order to be considered for enrollment. Grade point average, attendance, and teacher recommendations played an important role in eligibility.

Simply Difficult

What's best about H.E.R.O.?

1. *Missing the last half of school (48%)*
2. *Reduction in homework (24%)*
3. *Making money (17%)*
4. *Gaining hands on experience (11%)*

• Survey of 20 H.E.R.O. students

Emily Steiger (12) teaches a ballet class at Imperial Dance Studio. Along with ballet, Steiger also taught a variety of dance classes including jazz, tap, and modern.

Photo by Wendy Splitgerber

A few downfalls plagued those who left school after fourth hour. Tim Samples (12) said, "I missed the school lunches and not seeing my friends." However, Erin Kirk (12) didn't see it as a problem. She said, "H.E.R.O. was a great program with endless opportunities. I recommended it to all underclassmen."

-Wendy Splitgerber

Trying to perfect graphic designs, Kimiko Ostrozovich (12) adds on the final touches. Ostrozovich said, "I planned on studying film at Columbia College. I hoped to work in the movie industry, writing and directing my own movies." Ostrozovich worked in the art department at Mike's Sporting Goods. Photo by Farren Roark

Standard Options

On-site courses serve as extra training for future classes including Orientation to Allied Health, Medical Terminology, and Cisco Networking Academy, Marine Biology or On-site Child Development equipped students with the extra training needed to prepare them for a specific career direction.

Vision Athena courses, where students earned college credit, helped those

Simply Difficult

Which course sounded most interesting to students?

1. Vision Athena courses (35%)
2. Culinary classes (24%)
3. Cisco Networking Academy (21%)
4. On-site Child Development (20%)

• Survey of 50 students

who planned on pursuing a career in any of the health-related fields of study. Instead of being taught by a teacher, students listened and watched a professor via satellite. Bogoja Dukleski (11) said, "We could only see the professor on the screen. The class enabled students to educate themselves independently." Students traveled to St. Anthony's Hospital

to receive hands-on experience in an actual hospital.

Cisco, a new, after-school course, provided students with the opportunity to prepare themselves for an entry-level position in the technology field. Ryan Kloss (11) said, "Cisco taught me how to design and set up

networks which helped me to determine my future as a possible engineer."

The Marine Biology class took place during the summer in Florida, at a Marine lab. Bryan Buchelt 912) said, "I would recommend this class to everyone. It was the best experience I have ever been a part of." -Wendy Splitgerber

During the melted chocolate into the mold, Esther White (12) focuses on not spilling during her culinary class. During cooking internships held at various locations, job-site mentors worked with students to help them put their cooking, preparation, and presentation skills into practice. Photo by Farren Roar

Bryan Buchelt (12) scuba dives during a marine biology trip in Key Largo, Florida. Buchelt said, "I had a great time on the trip because I was with fun people and we were not only expected to do work, but to enjoy ourselves in the Keys." Photo submitted by Bryan Buchelt





Ryan Sandbach (10) carefully installs a power plug into the computer's keyboard during his Cisco class. The after-school technology course taught students how to properly correct problems within computer programs and about the basic design and installation of a network. Photo by Sarah Pasyk



During his Cisco Networking class, Theodoros Vlahos (10) learns the basics of making a network. Vlahos said, "Learning how to design networks and fix computers will be an advantage in my future. I planned on going to a four year college to enter into some technology related study." Photo by Sarah Pasyk



"Culinary Food Management was a really fun class. We not only got to cook different kinds of food all of the time, but we also got to eat everything we made." Photo by Wendy Splitgerber

-Daniel Hinshaw (12)

"On-site Child Development was a unique class. We got to go to elementary schools three times a week during sixth and seventh hour to help the teachers and interact with the children." Photo by Wendy Splitgerber

-Jennifer Jansen (12) with Laurie Leonard (12)



Trying to figure out a math problem, Charlotte Smith (12), Amanda Harvey (11), and Shannon Zart (11) work as a team. Crossroads gave students the chance to earn a diploma through different learning techniques. Photo by Wendy Splitgerber



While cutting a shoulder into a piece of round stock metal, Matt Buczek (11) carefully uses the lathe. "I liked machine shop because it provided a different atmosphere other than a normal classroom," said Buczek. Photo by Farren Roark

Reaching his hand into the hood of his truck, Rick Slanina (11) attempts to rewire the battery. Auto shop provided students with the opportunity to work on their own vehicles. In addition, on the day their car was to be serviced, students received a special parking pass. Photo by Farren Roark



Applying newspaper to the portion of the car not to be painted, Mike Dlugokinski (11) prepares to correct an imperfection. Students took auto shop classes for two hours at a time. Photo by Farren Roark



Adding the finishing touches to his plane drawing, Nate Reilly (12) contemplates the final dimensions of his project. Reilly participated in his 2nd year of Technical Drawing where students created blue prints for businesses. Photo by Wendy Splitzger

"Wood shop gave me the opportunity to learn more about tools and to spend time outside of the conventional classroom. I have gained plenty of useful knowledge. Photo by Farren Roark

-Josh Hatch (9)



"One of the main reasons that I took machine shop was because I could not learn this knowledge anywhere else. It was a real life type of knowledge, not just the same old book work." Photo by Wendy Splitzger

-Billy Condon (12) with Brian Dwyer (12)



Constructive Attitudes

Tech classes supply hands-on experiences

With classes ranging from graphics to technical drawing and auto shop, students depended on vocational training to help them gain hands-on experience. Classes such as these paved the way for the possibility of a future career involving the different skills acquired.

Students who planned on a future career involving printing, commercial arts, or photography enrolled in communication systems, also known as graphics. "Mr. (John) Bare (Graphics) was awesome. The class was fun and I got to be with my friends. I took the class in order to learn how to make different things that I would not have been able to make on my own," said Katie Bieker (12).

Classes such as technical drawing and architectural drawing gave students the opportunity to familiarize themselves with unique computer programs as well as complete projects they hoped to use someday. Bryan Kowert (11) said, "I liked architectural drawing because I loved to design dream houses."

Simply Difficult

Why study technology?

1. Future career opportunities (57%)
2. Taking a unique class that is fun and educational (31%)
3. To get away from book work (10%)
4. Preparing for college (2%)


• Survey of 40 students

Wood, machine, and auto shop classes also served as a foundation for future career outlooks. Tim Sohaney (11) said, "I liked auto shop because I wanted to be an auto mechanic in the future."

Students looking for an alternative to the "routine" academic courses found it in the industrial technology department.

-Farren Roark

Practicing his skills on the Swiss cheese block, Nick Certa (12) uses the drill press to puncture holes in to the metal. Certa took Advanced Machine Shop class for two hours per day. Photo by Wendy Splitgerber



Musical Comedy

Taking a creative break from daily routines

Science, math, English, history... sometimes the day seemed to be one long, tedious academic course. However, the school did offer a break from all the requirements with a few classes from the Fine Arts department.

Band, choir, and orchestra classes provided a break in the day for students, and allowed them to participate in something they enjoyed and considered fun. All three sections practiced their musical skills during class time and after school to perfect their performances for concerts and competitions. "The All-City band concert was great because of the way we played," said Katie Van Sessen (11).

Music gave various students a creative outlet. Christa Angelov (12) said, "My favorite aspect of music was how I could express myself."

Whether to acquire a comfort zone in front of an audience or perfect the craft of acting, drama was a popular elective. Allison Isailovich (10), a participant

of drama, said, "I have always wanted to be an actress because they are known everywhere they go."

Art classes provided various opportunities for artistic expression. "I liked Advanced Art; we got to work on our technique with more freedom," said Kristina Chlebowsky (12).

Even though many students had to deal with a stressful schedule, fine arts provided a creative break in their daily routines. **-Lisa Knopf**

Joseph Anello (10) and Kristine Rasmussen (12) rehearse their lines for Mr. Kit Degenhart's drama class. Rasmussen said, "Drama allows me to escape my daily life and express myself." Photo by Veronica Dominguez



Brittney Pritchard (9) and Amanda Wertz (9) practice their singing in preparation for the ISSMA contest in the spring. They prepared all year long for the contest. The contest had students from all over the state participating in it. Photo by Lisa Knopf



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While focusing on the notes, Robert Schrum (12) practices his baritone during orchestra class. Schrum said, "My favorite aspect of music was standing center stage at a concert and playing an improvised solo during Jazz Band. Schrum was also a member of the band called Post 20. Photo by Veronica Dominguez



Concentrating on their sheet music, Jennifer Boardman (9), Brooke Jones (9), Laura Retson (9), and Kari Winge (9) sight read the music during freshman girls' choir. This skill was practiced almost every day in order to prepare for contests and concerts held throughout the year. Photo by Wendy Splitgerber



"I thought that orchestra was enjoyable for everyone that was seriously interested in music because we learned new stuff while having lots of fun." Photo by Veronica Dominguez

-Brent Brown (11)

"During painting class, I liked to see everyone else's ideas. I thought that it forced me to be more inventive and creative with my own work." Photo by Farren Roark

-Pamela Patsak (12)

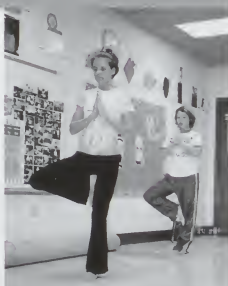


Attempting to complete his color wheel, Chris Coe (11) dabs the finishing touches onto his paper. Coe said, "I use darker colors to emphasize sadness and lighter shades to symbolize happiness." Photo by Farren Roark



The local YMCA provided member Dave Clayton (10) a chance to work out and get in shape for the upcoming baseball season. "I went to the 'Y' three times a week. I had an entire routine of exercises that I planned out before I got there, all for baseball conditioning," said Clayton. Photo by Sarah Pasyk

Kelly Cowan (11) and Lauren Angel (10) concentrate on their positions for yoga during their class at the YMCA. "I had always thought that yoga looked like a fun thing to do, but I never had time. When school work began to get out of control, I signed up as a stress reliever," said Cowan. Photo by Sarah Pasyk



While down in Evansville for a soccer tournament, Shannon Morfin (11) and Kelli Hein (12) talk while on the treadmill. The team stopped to work out at a sports complex. "I thought that one of the reasons it was so much fun was because it brought the team closer," said Morfin. Photo by Stephanie Black



Ryan Zervos (11), during his work out for BST class, finishes up doing 19 repetitions of 175 pounds on the pull-down machine. "I liked getting stronger because I looked and felt better," said Zervos. Photo by Sarah Pasyk

"I stayed healthy by playing basketball and working out. I lifted weights, ran and I also tried to eat healthy most of the time. Also, I used my gym class to stay in shape.

Photo by Sarah Pasyk

-Aaron Miller (9)



"My favorite activities (in gym class) were mostly running and playing basketball. We ran every Tuesday and Thursday; eventually, every time got easier and easier, and I got ahead of everybody." Photo by Wendy Splitterger

-Jacob Sessum (9)

Working Out's In

Students practice body care in multiple ways

It could have been the smallest task, like brushing one's teeth, or a strenuous aerobic workout, but students spent time in and out of school taking care of their bodies.

Aaron Sprehe (10), who took health class, said, "My favorite health class memory was on the second or third day of school. Mr. (Doug) Norris (Physical Education) had the entire class playing health bozo buckets. If you made only one or two baskets you had poor health. At the third basket your health was great. It was another great day in health class."

Ashley Plumley (11) was actively involved with numerous health activities. Not only was Plumley a varsity volleyball and basketball player, but she took Basic Strength Training, a class that taught and practiced weight lifting techniques. She also pushed herself to keep up her physical fitness outside of school. "In the summer I went on bike trips, did step

aerobics, and lifted weights with Mr. (Tom) May's (physical education) summer gym class," said Plumley.

The local YMCA provided numerous ways to stay healthy. Lauren Angel (10) took a yoga class. "Taking yoga helped me to relax and work on muscles that I had never worked before," Angel said. — **Sarah Pasyk**

As a student calls out, "Immune System for 20," Heather Schultz (10) erases the requested number off the board during a game of Health Jeopardy. "I played the role of Vanna White, Jeopardy style," said Schultz. The class was split into two teams: the Larry's and the Moe's. Photo by Sarah Pasyk

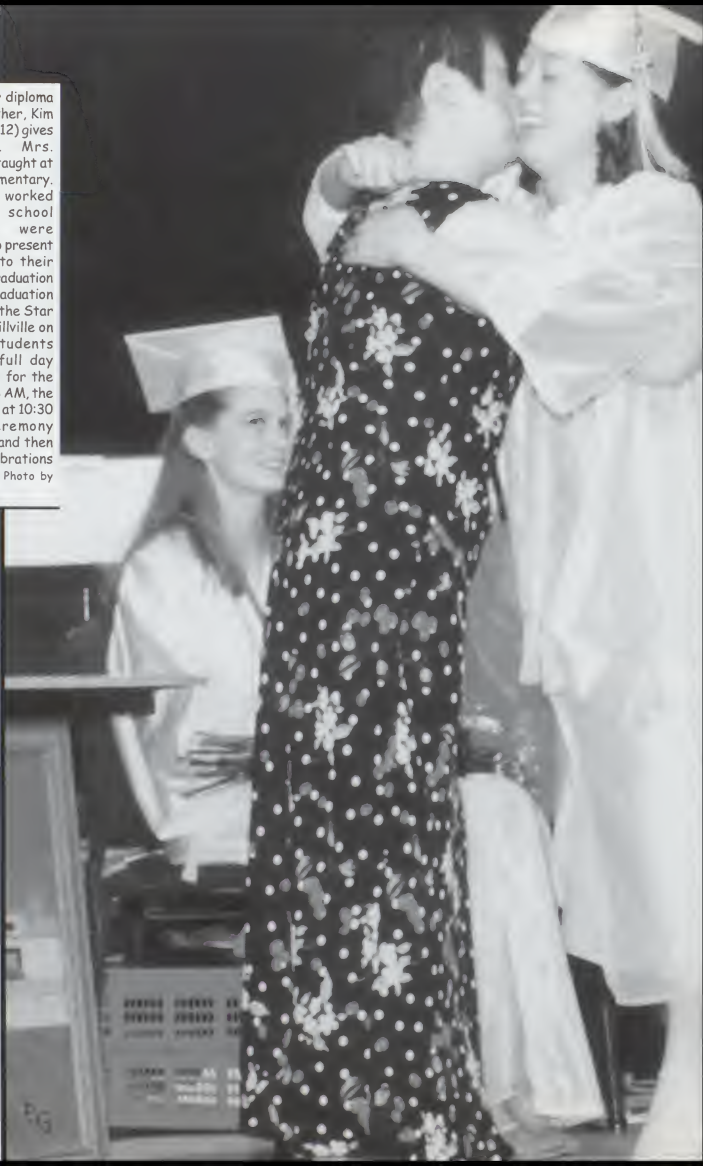
Simply Difficult


How many took Fitness-related classes?

1. Physical Education - 14%
2. Basic Strength Training - 11%
3. Health - 11%
4. Fitness and Nutrition - 2%

• First semester statistics

Receiving her diploma from her mother, Kim Ostrozovich (12) gives mom a hug. Mrs. Ostrozovich taught at Winfield Elementary. Parents who worked for the school corporation were encouraged to present the diploma to their child at the graduation ceremony. Graduation took place at the Star Plaza in Merrillville on June 12. Students had a very full day with practice for the ceremony at 8 AM, the senior brunch at 10:30 AM, the ceremony that evening and then personal celebrations afterwards. Photo by Giolas.





Unique Similarities

Freshmen on the first day of high school entered into one of the most terrifying yet rewarding experiences. Walking down the hallway, each of the 477 individuals realized that they shared common characteristics but also possessed qualities that made them unique.

Sophomores found a difficult year academically, but could take comfort in the realization that they shared ideas about topics from relationships to over-publicized celebrities. "The classes were harder and more demanding. I had to study more to keep up," said Adam Vetter (10).

Juniors discovered that their year provided even more of a challenge, but they took comfort in the fact that they were not in the endeavor alone. Josh Goeringer (11) said, "I attended another school until my junior year. It was weird to drive to a new school as a freshman-junior."

Seniors looked at their last year with mixed emotions. Impatient with excitement for adventures to follow graduation, seniors also realized that everything might not be as easy as they hoped. Katie Reid (12) said, "Leaving everything behind was scarier than I ever thought it would be."

Faculty coped with the news that eight members of the staff planned to retire. Mr. Jerry Holcomb (social studies) said, "I wanted to retire while I still enjoyed it, and had nothing but good memories. No longer would I be ruled by an alarm and 50-minute bells." —Melissa Mariola

WHAT DID YOU FEAR MOST ABOUT GOING TO COLLEGE?



"I was not really afraid because I planned on **ryan** going to a technical school and then transferring to a four year college." - Ryan Highsmith

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"My biggest fear was that I would **mary**

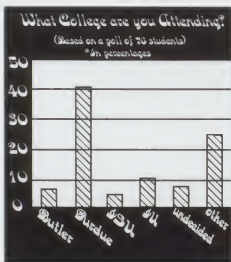
choose the wrong college, causing myself to be miserable and isolated for four years." - Mary Balmes

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Stephanie Black →

"I was worried that I would get a bad job. It was scary to think that I would spend four years in college only to get a job that I would not have liked." - TJ Pruzin

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"My biggest fear when I went to college was that I would decide to change my major sometime during the year. I **josh**

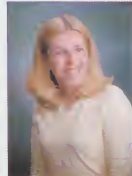
spent so much time deciding what college was best in my particular area, so to change it would have been kind of hard."

- Josh Zacher Photo by Farren Roark ↑





Kathryn Adams Concert Band 9-11,
Marching Band 9-11, Pep Band 9-11,
Symphonic Band 12, Freshman Girls' Choir 9,
Treble Chorus 12, Mixed Chorus 10, 11, Girls'
Show Choir 10, Psychology Club 12, Royal
Regiment 9-12, Thequans 10-12,
Kenneth Addyman
Christopher Aiehe Mixed Chorus 9, 10,
Concert Choir 11, 12, Honor Society 11, 12,
Rotarians 12, Showtime 11, 12, Thequans 10-12,
Kelly Alexander Booster Club 10, Key Club
6, Spanish Club 9-10
Charlie Amodeo



Erin Andersch Concert Band 9, 10,
Marching Band 9-11, Pep Band 9-11,
Symphonic Band 11, 12, Freshman Girls'
Chorus 9, Treble Chorus 11, 12, Mixed Chorus 10,
Concert Choir 12, Royal Regiment 9-11,
Windfall 9,
Elizabeth Anderson Bowling 11, 12, Spanish
Club 9
Jennifer Anderson Booster Club 11, 12, Golf
9, 10, GVC 9, 10,
Christa Angulo Booster Club 11, 12,
Freshman Girls' Chorus 9, Treble Chorus 11, 12,
Mixed Chorus 10, 12
Christopher Angulaci



Sarah Arber Freshman Girls' Chorus 9,
Treble Chorus 11, Mixed Chorus 10, Concert
Chorus 12, Girls' Show Choir 9, Mixed Show
Chorus 12, Orchestra 9, 10, 11, Suburban Rocks
12, Thequans 12, Musicals 11, 12
Brandon Babinack German Club 11,
Jostea Buck Freshman Girls' Chorus 9, Mixed
Chorus 10, Concert Choir 11, 12, Key Club 12,
Audrey Ball French Club 12, Rotarians 12,
Track 12,
Mary Baines GVC 9, 10, Honor Society
11, 12, Inklings 11, Peer as Resource 9,
Psychology Club 12, Rotarians 12, Soccer 9-12,
Spanish Club 10.



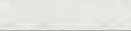
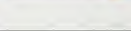
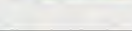
William Baranek
Donald Barne
Jeffrey Barker
Jaclyn Barnhill Peer As Resource 11,
Spanish Club 9, 10,
Jennifer Barr Concert Band 9, 10, Marching
Band 9-12, Pep Band 9-11, Symphonic Band
11, 12, German Club 9-11, Honor Society
11, 12, Royal Regiment 9-12, Orchestra 11.



Jonathan Bateman
Tasha Beauchamp Freshman Girls' Chorus 9,
Treble Chorus 11, Mixed Chorus 10, Concert
Chorus 12, Cross Country 9-11, German Club
9-11, GVC 10, 11, Honor Society 12,
Japanese Club 10, Key Club 10, Peer As
Resource 9, Track 9, 10.



Sarah Bellas
Paula Bennett
Amanda Bernard Basketball 9-12, Booster
Club 9, GVC 10-12, Homecoming Court 9.



Kathleen Bicker Booster Club 9-12,
Swimming 9-12, State Swimming Team
10, 11,
Shannon Bishop Freshman Girls' Chorus
9, Mixed Chorus 10
Stephanie Black Booster Club 10,
Excelsior 11, 12, Student Life Editor,
GVC 9-12, HERO 12, Journalism 10,
Advanced Journalism 11, 12, Quill and
Scroll 12, Soccer 9-12, Softball 10,
Spanish Club 10, 11, SADD-12
(Co-founder),
Faldir Blackland
Scott Bonetieri

Bradley Bommel: Concert Band 9; Symphonic Band 10; German Club 9-11; Letterman's Club 10; Track 9,10; Wrestling 10
 Melissa Booker: Freshman Girls' Choir 9; Treble Choir 11,12; Mixed Choir 10; Key Club 9; Spanish Club 9
 Nikki Barry: Basketball 9-12; French Club 10-12; GVC 10-12; Rotarians 12
 Melissa Borewell
 Matthew Boyd: Marching Band 10-12; Pep Band 9-12; Symphonic Band 9-12; Mixed Choir 9; Concert Choir 10-12; Japanese Club 10-12; Math Club 10-12; Orchestra 10-12; Royal Regiment 10-12; Spanish Club 9; Boys' State 12; The Plains 9,10; Web Team 9, 10



Jill Bradford: Freshman Band 9; Marching Band 9-11; Pep Band 9,10; Symphonic Band 10-12; Mixed Choir 9; Concert Choir 10-12; Girls' Show Choir 9; Mixed Show Choir 10-12; French Club 9-12; Key Club 9,10; Kiwanians 12; Orchestra 10,11; Royal Regiment 9-11; The Plains 11,12
 Candace Bright: Treble Choir 9,10
 Kern Bruat: Orchestra 9-12; Speech Club 10-12; Track 9,10
 Bryan Bucholtz: FCA 9-12; Football 10,11; HERO 12; Letterman's Club 11,12; Soccer 9-12; Spanish Club 9-11
 Kristopher Buckman: Basketball 9-12; Football 9; Letterman's Club 10-12



Heather Burke: Concert Band 9; Marching Band 9; Booster Club 9-12; Cheerleading 9-11; Freshman Girls' Choir 9; Mixed Choir 10; Concert Choir 11,12; Girls' Show Choir 9; Mixed Show Choir 10-12; Peer & Resource 9; Spanish Club 9; The Plains 10-12
 Ashley Bush: Booster Club 9-12 (Treasurer 10, 11); Freshman Girls' Choir 9; Mixed Choir 10,12; Concert Choir 11,12; Girls' Show Choir 9; Mixed Show Choir 10-12; German Club 9-11; Homecoming Court 9-10; Musicals 9-12; Play 12; Psychology Club 12; Rotarians 12; SADD 12; Showtime 12; Student Council 9-12; Class VP 9; Class President 10, 11; Student Council VP 12; Suburban Roots 12; The Plains 10-12 (President, 12); ETC 12; Play Tech Crew 9-11; Windfall 11; Prom Queen 12
 Brian Butler: Homecoming Court 9-11; Soccer 9-11
 Erica Byrd: Basketball 9,10,12 (manager); Key Club 9,10,12; Volleyball 9,10; Rotary Exchange Brazil 11; Yearbook 12
 Andrew Cairn: Football 10; Hockey 9-11



Jason Camp
 John Carroll: Cross Country 9-12; Letterman's Club 9,12; Track 9,10,12
 Nicolas Carta
 Joseph Cervantes: Cross Country 10-12; German Club 12; Letterman's Club 12; Track 10-12; Basketball 9,10 (manager)
 Katherine Chelap: Basketball 9,10; FCA 9,10; German Club 9-12 (President); GVC 11,12; Tennis 9-12 (boys' manager 11)

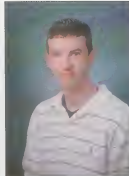


Kristina Chelowski: Art Club 9-12; Excelsior 12; Letterman's Honor Society 12; In/In/In 9-12 (Cartoonist, Editor-in-chief 12); Journalism 10; Advanced Journalism 11,12; Kiwanians 12; Latin Club 10-12 (senior); Quill & Scroll 12
 Lindsey Cline: Marching Band 9; Jazz Band 11,12; Symphonic Band 10-12; Booster Club 11,12 (Treasurer 11); Mixed Choir 9-12; Girls' Show Choir 9; Mixed Show Choir 10-12; Dance Team 9-12 (Captains); GVC 9-12; Homecoming Queen 12; Honor Society 11,12; Math Club 11,12; Orchestra 10; Rotarians 12; Showtime 12; Spanish Club 10,11 (VP 11); Student Council 9-12 (Pres.); The Plains 10-12 (Sec 12); Excelsior 12 (semester 2)
 Adam Coffer: Soccer 9-12
 Tony Cohn
 William Conrad



Steven Council
 Lindsay Cox: Booster Club 9-11; Dance Team 9,10; French Club 9,10; Suburban Roots 12
 Dawn Cosart: Soccer 9,11,12
 Bryan Coudrich: Basketball 9-11; Basketball 9-12; German Club 11,12; Honor Society 11,12; Letterman's Club 11,12; Spanish Club 9,10; Boys' State 12; Student Council 10-12; Tennis 10,11
 Robert Cummings Jr.: Football 9,10; Hockey 10-12 (Captain)





Christopher Diamante Pep Band 9;
Symphonic Band 9-11; Cheerleading 11,12;
Football 9-12; Homecoming Court 12;
Letterman's Club 10-12; Orchestra 9-12; Track
9-12;
Erik Dance
Morgan Darter Track Manager 11
Kelly Davis GVC 9-12; Homecoming Court 12;
Kawana 12; Soccer 10-12; Softball 9-12;
Spanish Club 9-11; Volleyball 9
Kent Davis Concert Band 9-11; Marching Band
9,10



Wes Derks PCA 11; HERO 12; Trainer 11;
Wrestling 9
Kim Devine
James Dewey
John Dickus
Heather Diehl Freshman Girls' Choir 9; Treble
Choir 11; Mixed Choir 10; Concert Choir 12;
Girls' Show Choir 10; Spanish Club 9;
Volleyball 9



Jennifer Dene Cross Country 9-12; (Captain);
GVC 9-12; Honor Society 11,12; (Director of
Scholarship); Kawana Scholar 9-12; Rotarians
12; Swimming 9-12; Track 9-12; Valedictorian
12
Henry Dillon
Nicholas Dimov Marching Band 9-12; Jazz
Band 9-12; Pep Band 9; Symphonic Band 10-12;
Mixed Choir 10; Concert Choir 10-12;
Mixed Show Choir 10-12; Honor Society 11,12;
Kawana Scholar 9-12; Math Club 11,12;
Orchestra 10; Rotarians 12; Royal Regiment 9-12;
Spanish Club 9,10,12; Student Council 12;
Thespians 11,12; Valedictorian 12; Prom Court
12
Steven Dixon Letterman's Club 10-12; Soccer
9-12; Spanish Club 9,10; Suburban Rooks 12
Michael Doelin



Tanner Dordick
Robert Doty Asst. Club 10-12; (President)
Cory Driver Marching Band 9-12; Jazz Band 9-12;
Pep Band 9-12; Symphonic Band 10-12; Concert
Choir 12; Colorguard 10; PCA 12; Homecoming
Court 10; Honor Society 11,12; Key Club 12; Math
Club 11,12; Orchestra 11,12; Psychology Club 12;
Rotarians 12; Royal Regiment 11,12; Spanish Club
11,12; Speech Club 12; Suburban Rooks 12;
Swimming 9; Thespians 12
Dale Duffalo Freshman Girls' Choir 9; Mixed Choir
10; Concert Choir 11,12; Girls' Show Choir 9; Mixed
Show Choir 10-12; PCA 9-12; German Club 11; Latin
Club 9,10; Suburban Rooks 12; Thespians 12;
Volleyball 9
Rose Drojicki Escalator 10-12; (Business manager)
Journers 9; Advanced Journalism 10-12



Michael Dwan Mixed Choir 9-12; German
Club 10,12; Thespians 10-12
Jeremy Dykstra Wrestling 9,10
Rachel Easton Freshman Girls' Choir 9; Mixed
Choir 10; Concert Choir 11,12; Girls' Show
Choir 9,10; Mixed Show Choir 11,12; PCA 9-12;
French Club 9-12; Honor Society 11,12;
Latin Club 10-12; Math Club 11; Thespians
11,12
Nicole Echterling Chamber Orchestra 9;
Orchestra 9-11; Showtime 11,12; Tennis 9-12
Adam Eich Concert Band 10,11; Marching
Band 10-12; Jazz Band 11,12; Pep Band 9-12;
Symphonic Band 12; Golf 10,12; Honor Society
11,12; Orchestra 11,12; Royal Regiment 9-12;
Spanish Club 12; Boys' State 12; Track 12



Michael Elch French Club 11,12; Hockey 9-12;
(Captain); Latin Club 9,10; Letterman's Club
10-12; Math Club 11,12; Orchestra 9-12;
Student Council 12; (Representative); Tennis 9-12;
(Captain)
Wendy Ellagore PCA 10; GVC 9-12; Soccer
9-12; Spanish Club 9; Swimming 9,10; Musical
Crew 10
Janice Ellsworth
Anthony Erlke Golf 10,12; Key Club 12;
Spanish Club 9,10
Jack Ernst

Keta Etes

Art Falkner
Jacob Fernandez
Charles Festa Golf 10-12, Homecoming Court
 11, Letterman's Club 10-12, Therapists 12
Wesley 9-10, Prom King 12
Maggie Fleming Booster Club 10-11, German
 Club 11, Spanish Club 9-10, Suburban Roots
 12, Volleyball 9



Ped Fleming Show Choir 9-12, Concert
 Choir, Jazz Band, Marching Band, Escalator
 12, (semester 1) Therapists, Musicals
Ryan Fleming Basketball 9, Booster Club 9-12,
 Mixed Choir 9-11, Concert Choir 11-12, Latin
 Club 10-11, Math Club 11-12, Showtime 11-12
 (Producer), Spanish Club 9-12, Student Council
 10-12, Therapists 10-12, Valedictorian 12
Jennifer Fogarty
Eric Foster
Jessica Frank GVC 9-12, Honor Society 12,
 Kappa 12, Peer At Resonance 10, Spanish
 Club 9-11 (Representative 11-12), Swimming
 9-12 (Captain)



Melissa Frankovich
Elanda French Treble 10-11, Concert Choir
 10-11, Gymnastics 9, Journalism 11
Nicole Frost Symphonic Band 10-12, FCA
 9-10, Golf 11-12, GVC 9-12, Softball 9-12,
 Spanish Club 9-10, Student Council 10-12
 (Senior Class Treasurer), Volleyball 9-10
John Gant
Jacob Gettler Tennis 9-11, Mass Media 12



Brian Giacomin Marching Band 9-12
 (Percussion Captain), Jazz Band 9-12, Pep Band
 9-10, Symphonic Band 10-12, Honor Society
 11-12, Orchestra 9-12, Royal Regiment 9-12
Joan Giffin
Keith Goreau Football 9, Letterman's Club
 10-11, Showtime 11, Soccer 10, Wrestling 9-11
Tiffany Goreau
Bret Govert Basketball 9-12, Basketball 9-12,
 Football 9-12, Homecoming Court 12,
 Letterman's Club 10-12



Justin Govert
Eric Grubbs
Brooke Graczyk Art Club 9-12, Concert Band
 9-10, Marching Band 10-12, Pep Band 9-12,
 Symphonic Band 11-12, FCA 10-12, Key Club
 10-12, Royal Regiment 9-12
Dana Grauger French Club 9, Therapists 10-12
Mary Green



Kristine Grompone Booster Club 9, Mixed
 Choir 9-10, Concert Choir 11-12, Girls' Show
 Choir 9-10, Mixed Show Choir 11-12, French
 Club 9-12, Golf 10-12, GVC 10-12, Key Club
 9-10, Musicals 9-11, Student Council 9-10-12,
 Therapists 11-12, SADD 12
Kelly Gross Concert Band 9-12, Marching
 Band 9-12, Colorguard 11
Nicholas Grube Auto Club 10-12 (Vice
 President)
Adam Gromczyk Football 10, Latin Club 10
Rebecca Guenther Cheerleading 9-11
 Freshman Girls' Choir 9, Treble Choir 11-12,
 Mixed Choir 10, German Club 9-10, Honor
 Society 11-12, Key Club 10, Latin Club 12,
 Volleyball 9



BOB KUEHL

Talented drawer becomes 'Paperboy'

A constant interest in drawing led to four years of technical drawing classes for Bob Kuehl. As a senior he used his knowledge to create and sell projects to various companies.



Photo by Jessica Koscielniak

Q: What drawings were you working on?

A: I was working on a robot, but I had other projects started as well, which included a house.

Q: What was it exactly that you did or made to sell to companies?

A: When a company wanted to build something, they

"I had always been interested in drawing."

wanted to know what the product looked like before they built it. Movie producers and advertising businesses also used my skills to create images and video animations.

Q: What was your favorite drawing?

A: My favorite project was my watch that I made my junior year. I guess it's my favorite because it looked complicated.

Q: I heard that you worked on an independent film recently. What was your involvement with that?

A: I was the paperboy in *Everything He Touched*. It was shot in Chicago. I was also hired to make the poster for the movie to be advertised on. The movie was about a man that lived alone and died. His family came to take care of his house and possessions and they discovered many dark secrets about him.

-Sarah Pasyk



Cella Gura - Concert Band 9-11; Marching Band 9-12; Symphonic Band 12; Freshman Girls' Choir 9; Mixed Choir 10,11; Colorguard 9-12; Royal Regiment 9-12
 Karissa Geyer - Art Club 9-12; Marching Band 9-10,12; Jazz Band 9-11; Pep Band 9-11; Symphonic Band 10-12; French Club 9-12; (President's) Honor Society 11-12; Math Club 11-12; Orchestra 10-12; Peer As. Resource 9; Royal Regiment 9-10,12; Volleyball 9
 Karren Haley - Marching Band 9-12; Pep Band 11; Freshman Girls' Choir 9; Mixed Choir 10; Color Guard 9-12; Orchestra 9-12; Rotarians 12; Royal Regiment 9-12; Chamber Orchestra 9-11; Theater 9-11
 Michael Halpin - Horconcoming Court 9
 Royce Hamende - Auto Club 10-12

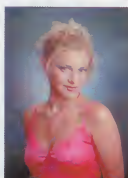
Becky Hamilton: Cheerleading 9-11 (Co-captain 10); Inlinking 11-12 (Managing Editor); Key Club 9-10; Spanish Club 9-11 (Treasurer); Boy's Track Manager 11-12; Care Initiative 12
Robbi Hanson
William Hanson
Conrad Harris: Baseball 9; Football 9-12
Lettermen's Club 10-12; Orchestra 9-11
Spanish Club 9-12
Natalie Harris



Shaun Harris
Corrine Harwood
Kelli Helm: Cross Country 10-12; GVC 9-12; Homecoming Court 10; Kwanzaa 12; Soccer 9-12; Student Council 9; Track 8-12
Matthew Helfen: HEBD 12; Lettermen's Club 10; Spanish Club 9; Wrestling 9-10
Dustin Henderlong: Concert Band 9-10; Marching Band 9-11; Symphonic Band 11-12; Mixed Choir 10; Concert Choir 11, 12; Mixed Shon. Choir 10-12; Spanish Club 10; Thespians 11-12; Prom Court 12



David Henderson: Swimming 9
Mindy Hepler
Kenneth Hertiz
Jessica Higginbotham: Booster Club 11-12; Spanish Club 10
Ryan Highsmith: Concert Band 9; Hockey 9; Lettermen's Club 12; Tennis 10-12



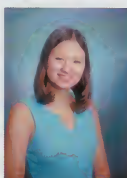
Brian Hiller: Basketball 9; Lettermen's Club 10-12; Rotarians 12; Soccer 9-12; Spanish Club 9-10
Daniel Hinshaw: Cross Country 9-11; Lettermen's Club 10-11; Spanish Club 9-10; Track 10
Robert Hobson: Wrestling 9
Lindsey Hornig
Nathan Hornig



Bethany Homersich
Alex Hooks: Colorguard 10-11
Lauren Hostalky: Biology Club 11; Booster Club 10-12 (Vice President); Dance Team 9-12 (Co-captain); Honor Society 11-12; Softball 9; Student Council 10-12; Tennis 10
Christopher Hovane: Soccer 9-12
Christopher Humbert: Mixed Choir 9; Honor Society 12; Latin Club 9-12; Vice President 11-12; Math Club 10-12; Web Team 9



Kristin Hunt
Kathryn Huys: Marching Band 9-12; Pep Band 9-12; Symphonic Band 10-12; Royal Regiment 9-12
Susan Iglin: Freshman Girls Choir 9; Treble Choir 11-12; Mixed Choir 10; German Club 9-12; Key Club 9-10
Jocelyn Ivey: Booster Club 9-10; Cheerleading 9-12; Freshman Girls Choir 9; Treble Choir 11; Mixed Choir 10; Concert Choir 12; Honor Society 12; Costume Crew 9-11-12
Andrea Jacobs: Freshman Girls Choir 9; Treble Choir 11; Mixed Choir 10; Concert Choir 12; FCA 9-12; French Club 9-11; Inlinking 11-12; Quilt & Scroll 12





Adam James Spanish Chs 9-10, Swimming 9, Bowling 11,12, Tech Crew 11,12.
Jennifer James Dance Team 10-12, Spanish Club 9.
Jason Jernberg
 Freshman Band 9, Jazz Band 12, Pep Band 9-12, Symphonic Band 10-12, Drum Major 11,12, Mixed Chorus 9, Concert Chorus 10-12, Girls Show Choir 9-11, Mixed Show Choir 12, German Club 9,10, Honor Society 12, Math Club 12, Royal Regiment 9-12, Girls State 12, Theopians 10,12.
Brandy Jilison Peer As Resource 9, Student Council 9.



Natalie Johnson Pep Band 11,12, Treble Chorus 10, Concert Chorus 11,12, Girls Show Choir 11,12, Colorguard 9-12, Captain 11,12, French Club 10, Honor Society 12, Orchestra 9-12, Rotarians 12, Royal Regiment 9-12.
Sara Jovelski Letterman's Club 10,11, Soccer 10,11, Track 12, Wrestling 9.
Jennifer Kallman Booster Club 9, French Club 9-11, HERO 12.
Melissa Kallay Booster Club 12, Dance Team 10,11, Spanish Club 10,11, Student Council 10-12, Track 9-11.



Kim Kallman
 Ashley Katter Dance Team 9,10, Spanish Club 9, Student Council 9,10.
Alex Kenney Concert Band 10, Pep Band 9-12, Symphonic Band 11,12, German Club 9, Psychology Club 12, Royal Regiment 9-12, Showtime 12.
Jessica Kelsey HERO 12.
Stephanie Kelsey



Aaron Kennedy Baseball 9-12, Basketball 9, Adam Kerr Concert Band 10, Pep Band 9-12, Symphonic Band 11,12, German Club 9-12, Royal Regiment 9-12, Suburban Roots 12.
Bethany Ketcher Orchestra 9-12, Volleyball 9, Volleyball Manager 10-12.
Michael Kipp Mixed Chorus 10,11, Concert Chorus 12, FCA 12, HERO 12.
Erin Kirk Escalibur 10,11, German Club 11, HERO 12, Key Club 9-10, Spanish Club 9, Suburban Roots 12.
Cody Kirschbaum



Kelly Klavan
 KC Klepek Football 9-11, Track 10.
Carlissa Klingberg Basketball 9, Freshman Girls Chorus 9, Treble Chorus 10, Concert Chorus 10-12, Colorguard 10-12, German Club 9-12, Honor Society 11,12, Hailjays 10,11, Key Club 9-12, Math Club 11,12, Peer As Resource 9-12, Quill and Scroll 11, Royal Regiment 10-12, Volleyball 9.
Kyle Klusbar Freshman Band 9, Concert 10, Marching Band 10-12, Jazz Band 11,12, Pep Band 9-12, Symphonic Band 11,12, Concert Band 12, Honor Society 11,12, Math Club 12, Orchestra 12, Royal Regiment 10-12.
Daniel Knapp Baseball 9-12, Basketball 9, Football 9-12, Mr Football, Letterman's Club 10-12.
Michael Knapp Baseball 9-12, Basketball 9-12, Honor Society 11,12, Letterman's Club 11,12, Soccer 10.
Jessica Knight
TJ Kozminski
Sharon Kuznetsov Orchestra 10-12, Tennis 11,12.
Andrew Kramer



Michael Knapp Baseball 9-12, Basketball 9-12, Honor Society 11,12, Letterman's Club 11,12, Soccer 10.
Jessica Knight
TJ Kozminski
Sharon Kuznetsov Orchestra 10-12, Tennis 11,12.
Andrew Kramer



WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE UNDERCLASSMEN?



esther "My advice to underclassmen... always live your life to the fullest. From my past experiences I learned to never let a

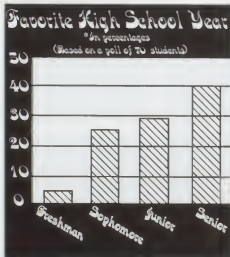
chance pass by." -Esther

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"You should not have messed with the **quinn** seniors because you would have gotten your chance to be in charge eventually." -Quinn

Witham with T.J. Korzeniewski

Photo by Stephanie Black ↓



"The advice that I had to give to the underclassmen in the school was to enjoy your high school years while you could because they were over with before you even knew it. My freshman year was my favorite year in school." -Bret Govert

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jill "Everybody should have enjoyed themselves while they still could, making the most of every opportunity that they may have had." - Jill Bradford

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Jason Kranz Golf 12, Spanish Club 9-11
Jeremy Kras Concert Band 10, Marching Band 9-12, Pep 9-10, Symphonic Band 11-12, Latin Club 9-12, Royal Regiment 9-12
Erica Krick Freshman Choir 9, Tumble 11, Mixed 10, Concert Choir 12, Girls' Show Choir 9-11, Dance Team 9, Spanish Club 11-12, Student Council 9-10, Thequips 11-12, Bowling Team 11-12, Musicals 9-12
John Krull Jr. Baseball 10, Hockey 10-11, Valedictorian 12
Rachel Kubacki Academic Team 9-10, Tumble Choir 10, Mixed Choir 11, Concert Choir 12, Honor Society 11-12, Japanese Club 10-12, Swimming 9





George Kautl
Robert Kautl: Letterman's Club 9-12, Spanish Club 9-10, Track 9-11
Kathleen Kurewski: Basketball 9, GVC 11, 12, Treasurer, Honor Society 11, 12, Key Club 9, 10, Peer As Resource 9, 10, 12, Rotarians 12, Spanish Club 9-11, Tennis 9-12
Katherine Kutanoski: Basketball 9, 10, GVC 9-12, Soccer 9-12, Suburban Roots 12, Track 10-11
Charles Kuzma



Christopher Kwik: Football 11, 12
Christopher Kwik: French Club 9-12
Kevin LaDuke: Concert Band 9-11, Pep 9-10, Symphonic Band 12, Hockey 9-12, Spanish Club 9-11
Eric Lakich: Football 9, Hockey 10-12
Hillary Landis: Dance Team 9-12



Heather Larson
Laurie Leonard: GVC 11, 12, Homecoming Court 12, Latin Club 9, Softball 9-12
Stephanie Lewis: Freshman Girls Choir 9, Treble Choir 11, 12, Mood Choir 10
Thomas Lewis: Auto Club 11, 12, Concert Band 11
Christina Layva: Dance Team 9-11, Orchestra 9-12, Spanish Club 9-10



Valerie Liana
Deanna Likens: Freshman Band 9, Marching Band 9-12, Drum Major, Pep Band 9-12, Symphonic Band 10-12, Freshman Girls Choir 9, Mixed Choir 10, Girl's Show Choir 9, 10, Honor Society 11, 12, Key Club 9, 10, Orchestra 9-12, Peer As Resource 9-11, Spanish Club 12, Treasurer, Royal Regiment 9-12, Student Council 9-12 (Class President 9, Class Treasurer 12)
Nicole Lincoln
Adam Link: Mixed Choir 9, Concert Choir 10-11, French Club 9-11, Honor Society 11, 12, Key Club 9-11, Orchestra 9-11, Rotary International Foreign Student - Peace 12
Victoria Liss: Basketball 9-10, French Club 9-10, Key Club 9, Tennis 9-12



Michael Long
Jos Longfellow: Concert Band 9-11, Marching Band 9, Orchestra 9-11, Diving 9
Timothy Loudernick: Bowling 11, 12
Jonathan Lowery: Concert Band 9-11, Marching Band 9-10, Mixed Choir 9, Concert Choir 10-12, Latin Club 10
Sarah Lowery: Concert Band 9, Tennis 9-10



Nicole Luebke: Dare Role Model 11, FCA 11, Infolings 12, Journalism 11, Suburban Roots 12, Windfall 9-12
Derek Lusk: Basketball 9
Kelly Manfred: Booster Club 10, 11, 12, Cheerleading 9-11, Homecoming Court 12, Honor Society 11, 12, Peer As Resource 12, Student Council 11, 12
Jerrod Mann
Susanna Manning: HERO 12

Melissa Maricle Booster Club 9-12
 Escalibur 9-12 (Editor in Chief, Golf 9-12)
 GVC 9-12, Honor Society 11,12 (Publicity Director)
 Journalism 9, Key Club 9,10, Kwanzaa 12, Math Club 12, Peer As Resource 9-11, Quill & Scroll 11,12 (President)
 Rotarians 11, Soccer 9-12 (Manager), Spanish Club 9-11, Student Council 9-12 (Treasurer), Theopias 11,12, Encore Theatre Company 12, SADD 12 (Cofounder)
 Ashley Martin Basketball 9, Gymnastics 10-12, Volleyball 9
Nathan Matus
 Jennifer Maynard Freshman Band 9, Concert Band 10, Marching Band 10-12, Pep Band 9-12, Symphonic Band 11,12, Basketball 9, Honor Society 11,12, Key Club 9,10, Royal Regiment 10-12, Spanish Club 11,12 (President)
Haley McJurney



Steven McColey Football Manager 9-12, Letterman's Club 9-12, Wrestling Manager 9-10
Justin McConnell
 Jodi McFadden Freshman Girls Choir 9, Treble Choir 11,12, Mixed Choir 10, Colorguard 9-11, German Club 9
Joe Menz
 Brian Melis Wrestling 9-12



Katherine Metros Freshman Band 9, Marching Band 9,11,12, Pep Band 9,12, Symphonic Band 10-12, Honor Society 11,12, Key Club 9, Math Club 11,12, Orchestra 10, Peer As Resource 9-11, Royal Regiment 9,11,12, Spanish Club 9-11 (Secretary 11, Vice President 12), Student Council 9, Student Leadership Committee 11, Orchestra Pit 10,11
 Jessica Meyer Suburban Roots 12, Windfall 9-12
 Eric Mikuta Basketball 9-11, Football 9
 Candace Miller Suburban Roots 12
 Justin Miller Basketball 9, Football 9-11, Honor Society 12, Letterman's Club 10-11, Math Club 12, Student Council 12, Prom Court 12, Senior Class, Senior class prom



Kelly Miller Concert Band 9-12, Football 9-12, German Club 9,10, Letterman's Club 10-12
 Lauren Miller Booster Club 12, Freshman Girls' Choir 9, Treble Choir 11,12, Mixed Choir 10, Colorguard 9, FCA 9,10, Key Club 9, Showtime 11,12, Spanish Club 9-11, Tennis 9-11
 Joy Millard Key Club 9,10, Psychology Club 12, Rotarians 12
 Ryanne Min Football 9-11, French Club 11,12, Key Club 12, Kwanzaa 12, Latin Club 10, Letterman's Club 10-12, Orchestra 9-12, Psychology Club 12, Spanish Club 9, Suburban Roots 12, Wrestling 9-11
Durris Monroe



Kelli Morgan Booster Club 9,10, Cheerleading 10-12, DARE Role Model 10, Freshman Choir 9, Treble Choir 11, Mixed Choir 10, Concert Choir 12, FCA 12, Honor Society 11,12, Musical Crew 9,11,12, Peer As Resource 9, Spanish Club 9-11 (Treasurer), Christopher Morrow Mixed Choir 9, Key Club 11, Suburban Roots 12
 Caylaia Mota Marching Band 12, Colorguard 12, French Club 9,12,12, Key Club 10-12, Psychology Club 12, Royal Regiment 12
 Daniel Moskowitz Escalibur 12, Journalism 10
 Thomas Mullins French Club 9,10



Amanda Myers
 Nicholas Myers Auto Club 10, Track 12, Trainers 9,10
 Ericka Nance GVC 9-12, Swimming 9-12 (Captain), Track 10, Volleyball 9-12 (Captain)
 Lindsey Nashoff
 Natalie Nix Booster Club 9-12 (President 11,12), Honor Society 11,12, Orchestra 9-12, Spanish Club 9, Student Council 9-12, Track 9, Bridge Builders 11, SADD 12





Patrick Noland Concert Band 9-11;
Nicole Nowacz Booster Club 10-12; GVC 9-12; Soccer 9-12; SADD 12
Matthew Oakes
Timothy O'Brien
Jessica Orlenkamp Booster Club 9-12;
 Cheerleading 9; Golf 9-12; GVC 9-12;
 Homcoming Court 9-10; Key Club 12; Kwanzaa 12; Psychology Club 12; Softball 9-12; Student Council 9-12



Ryan Olson Letterman's Club 10-12; Spanish Club 9-10; Track 11-12; (Captain) Wrestling 9-10;
Kimiko Ostrorovich GVC 10; HERO 12;
Jazmine O'Brien Peer As Resource 11; Showtime 11; Soccer 9-10; Light Crew for Musical 9; Play 11;
Daniel Pantoja
Brian Pante Auto Club 12; Football 9-12; French Club 9-10; Letterman's Club 10-12; Psychology Club 12; Swimming 9
Pamela Partida Dance Team 9-10; Homcoming Court 11



Corbin Patterson-Spohrer
Nick Paulowski FCA 9-10; Football 9-11; German Club 11-12; Letterman's Club 10-12; Spanish Club 9-10; Track 9-12; (Captain)
Kristian Pavlovich Art Club 9-12; Marching Band 12; Pep Band 11; Symphonic Band 11-12; Freshman Girl's Choir 9; Mixed Choir 10; Honor Society 11-12; Key Club 10; Math Club 11-12; Royal Regiment 12; Spanish Club 9-11
Tanja Pejzack Colorguard 9; HERO 12; Royal Regiment 9
Brad Pelton



Melissa Lynn Perry
Jared Persinger Art Club 11; Key Club 9-12; Kwanzaa 12; Latin Club 11-12; Math Club 11-12; Psychology Club 12; Showtime 12
Eric Peschke Dare Officer 10-12; German Club 9-11; Golf 9-12; Japanese Club 10; Rotarians 12; Showtime 11-12
Jamie Peters Booster Club 9-11; Dance Team 9-11; (Captain) Honor Society 11-12; Peer As Resource 9-12; Press Committee 10-11; Spanish Club 9-11; Student Leadership Committee 11
Corey Peterson Football 11-12; Letterman's Club 11-12; Track 11



Hannah Petko Freshman Girl's Choir 9; Treble Choir 11-12; Mixed Choir 10; Japanese Club 9-11; Musical Crew 12
Rachel Peyovich Basketball 9; FCA 9-12; GVC 9-12; Vice Pres 11-12; Rotarians 12; Soccer 9-12; (Captain) Softball Manager 10-12; Trainers 11-12
Jamie Peters Booster Club 9-12; Cheerleading 9-11; Freshman Girl's Choir 9; Treble Choir 11; Mixed Choir 10; Concert Choir 12; Peer As Resource 9-12; Softball 9-12; Spanish Club 9-12; Student Council 12; Thespians 12; Trainers 11; ETC 12
Megan Platts Marching Band 10-12; Freshman Girl's Choir 9; Mixed Choir 10; Colorguard 10-12; Key Club 9; Latin Club 9-10; Officer 11; President 12; Orchestra 9-12; Royal Regiment 10-12; Speech Club 10; Subliminal Kites 12
Stephanie Plummer Dance Team 9-11; French Club 12



Sarah Podiel Concert Band 9-11; Marching Band 9-10; Colorguard 11; Bowling 11-12
Kimberly Podowski Basketball 9-10; Booster Club 9; Homcoming Court 12; Psychology Club 12
Aaron Popp
Michael Perras Football 9-12; Latin Club 9-12; Letterman's Club 10-12; Wrestling 9-10
Courtney Podlewski Mixed Choir 11-12

Jeffrey Powers Football 9-12, Homcoming
Court 12, Kwanzaa 12, Letterman's Club 10-
12, Track 10
Brian Price
TJ Prizim Baseball 9-12, Basketball 9-12,
Letterman's Club 9-12, Kwanzaa 12, Student
Council 11
Pavlina Papalinski
Scott Quilley Cross Country 9-12
Captain, Letterman's Club 10-12, Kwanzaa
12, Track 9-12



Kristine Rasmussen Booster Club 9-12
Overloading 9-12, Freshman Girls' Choir 9,
Mixed Choir 10, Concert Choir 11-12, Girls'
Show Choir 9, Mixed Show Choir 10-12
PCA 9-12, Gymnastics 10, Honor Society
11-12, Math Club 11-12, Debating 9-11, Peer
As Resource 11-12, Showtime 12, Spanish
Club 9-11, Girls' State 12, Student Council
9-12, Thespians 11-12, Student Leadership
Committee 11, Musical 9-12, Prom Court 12
Heather Raymond French Club 11, Track
Boys' Manager 11, Track 12
Kathryn Reid Basketball 9-12, Excubitor
11-12, Sports Editor 12s, Journalism 10-12,
Quill and Scroll 12, Volleyball 9-12
Nathan Reilly Baseball 9, Basketball 9
Cross Country 9-12, French Club 9-11
German Club 9-10, Letterman's Club 9-12
Track 10-12
Janet Repasky French Club 10



Ashley Rhodes Booster Club 12, Freshman
Girls' Choir 9, Mixed Choir 10, Concert
Choir 11-12, Girls' Show Choir 10, Mixed
Show Choir 11-12, Excubitor 10-11 (Clubs)
Editor 11, Design Editor 12, PCA 9, French
Club 9-12, Journalism 9, Key Club 9, Quill
and Scroll 10-12 (Vice President), Student
Council 9-10-12 (Secretary 12), Track 9-10
Volleyball 9, SADD 12 (Co-founder), ETC
12, Spring Musical 11-12
Paul Vincent Rhye Academic Team 9-11
French Club 10, Governor's Cup Soccer 9
Tennis 9-10
James Ricard
Kris Rieser French Club 9, Latin Club 9-
11
Kelly Riordan



Amanda Ritter
Farren Ritter Advanced Journalism 12,
Booster Club 12, Dance Team 10, Excubitor
11-12 (Academic Editor), Key Club 9, Peer
As Resource 9, Prom Committee 11, Spanish
Club 9-11, SADD 12
Jason Roberts Football 9-12, Letterman's
Club 10-12, SADD 12
Billy Robinson Bowling 11-12
Benjamin Rock Letterman's Club 9-12
Swimming 9-12



Joel R Koerber
Richard Rohaley Key Club 12, Spanish
Club 10, Bowling 11-12
Adam Romanuk
Jeannette Rosenwinkel Biology Club 11
GVC 11-12, Honor Society 11-12, Key Club
10-12, Softball 9-12, Spanish Club 9-12,
Volleyball 9-11
Kristin Ross Basketball 9-10, Volleyball 9



Adam Rowie
Sarah Roth Concert Band 9-10, Booster
Club 9-12, Cheerleading 9-12, French Club
9-11, GVC 12, Honor Society 11-12, Key
Club 9-10, Soccer 12, Student Council 9-12
Jennifer Rowe
Allison Rues Excubitor 11, Spanish Club
9-10
Andrew Russell



ERIN SHANLEY

Shanley takes the lead in musical 'Grease'

Ever since she was a child, Erin Shanley felt that singing would always be a part of her life. Besides being involved in almost every choir offered, Erin was also an active participant in various clubs including Thespians, Encore Theatre Company, Booster Club, and the Prom Committee.



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Q: What was your greatest accomplishment?

A: Getting the lead in the musical "Grease". It was an amazing show and my fellow cast members were terrific. Before the musical, I had contemplated whether to even try out or not. I was having a rough

"I have sung since I was a child, but sang with a choir since 8th grade."

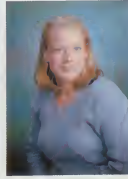
year and did not know if I could budget my time. I am glad I made the decision to do it. I needed to prove something to myself, and I did.

Q: Who did you admire and why?

A: First and foremost, I admired my mom. She had a hard time putting up with me that year, and without her support I would have never had the opportunities I did. I thanked her for being strong and going out of her way, helping me to never be hard on myself.

Q: What were your plans after high school?

A: After high school, I planned on attending Ball State. I wanted to major in small business/entrepreneurship and minor in music. After college, I hoped to own my own floral shop and to be a wedding and banquet coordinator. **-Wendy Splitgerber**



Melissa Russell
Eric Salazar
Michael Salazar: Concert Choir 12, Mixed Show
Choir: 12, Honor Society 12, Spanish Club 12,
Tennis 9-11, 12
Timothy Samples: FCA 9, 10, HERO 12,
Letterman's Club 9, 10, Student Council 10,
Swimming 9, 10
Christina Sanford: Basketball 9, FCA 12, French
Club 9-11, GVC 12, Softball 9-12, Volleyball 9.



Thomas Sarnecki Letterman (Club 9-1), Soccer 9-12, Spanish Club 9-12, Track 12, Wrestling 9-12.
 Ryan Schaefer Baseball 9, Psychology Club 12, Spanish Club 9-10.
 Elizabeth Schaubach
 Jill Schiesner Freshman Girls' Choir 9, Treble Choir 11,12, Mixed Choir 10, Latin Club 11.
 Robbi Schilling FCA 11,12, HERO 12, Peer As Resource 9.



Philipp Schickler German Club 12, Track 12, Dining 12.
 William Schmidt Football 9-12, Homecoming Court 12, Honor Society 11,12, Letterman's Club 9-12, Rotarian 12, Swimming 9-12.
 Elizabeth Schmitz Booster Club 12, Dance Team 9-10, Spanish Club 9-11, Suburban Rovers 12.
 Judson Schwaucker Peer As Resource 12, Psychology Club 12, Spanish Club 9, Student Council 12, Suburban Roots 12.
 Anthony Scheffl Football 9-12, Kwanians 12, Letterman's Club 10-12, Wrestling 9-12.



Emily Schramm Freshman Band 9, Marching Band 9-12, Pep Band 9-12, Symphonic Band 10-12, Freshman Girls' Choir 9, Mixed Choir 10, Concert Choir 11,12, Girls' Show Choir 11,12, Honor Society 11,12, Key Club 9, Orchestra 9-12, Peer As Resource 9-10, Royal Regiment 9-12, Spanish Club 12 (Secretary), Therapists 11,12.
 Robert Schram Academic Team 10,12, Marching Band 9-12 (Captain 11,12), Jazz Band 9-12, Pep Band 9-12 (Vice President 11), Symphonic Band 10-12, Mixed Choir 9-11, Concert Choir 12, Mixed Show Choir 9-11, Cross Country 9, Honor Society 11,12, Kwanians 12, Latin Club 9-12 (Secretary 10, UCL President 11,12), Math Club 10-12, Orchestra 10,11, Royal Regiment 9-12 (Captain 11,12), Therapists 10-12, Volunteer 12.
 Michael Schuler Student Council 9,10.
 Valerie Schweitzer Basketball 9-10, GVC 9-12, Honor Society 11,12, Kwanians 12, Salamander 12, Track 9, Volleyball 9-12.
 Bryce Segert Basketball 9-11, Biology Club 12, FCA 9-10, Football 10,11, German Club 9,10, Letterman's Club 9-12, Soccer 9-12, Track 10-12.



Steven Semelko
 Melissa Senersko Marching Band 10-12, Colorguard 10-12, German Club 12, Gymnastics 9-10, Key Club 9, Psychology Club 12, Royal Regiment 10-12.
 Courtney Serfick Basketball 9-10, Booster Club 9,10, Homecoming Court 9, Peer As Resource 12, Spanish Club 9, Suburban Roots 12, Track 10,11, Volleyball 9-12.
 Erin Shanley Booster Club 9-12 (Class Representative 11, Vice President 12), Freshman Girls' Choir 9, Treble Choir 11, Mixed Choir 10, Concert Choir 11,12, Girls' Show Choir 9-10, Mixed Show Choir 11,12, Peer As Resource 9, Showtime 12, Spanish Club 9-10, Therapists 12, ETC 12, Prom Committee 11 (President), Spring Musical 10-12, Prom Court 12.
 Amanda Sheridan



Michael Shinkus Basketball 9, Football 9, Spanish Club 9.
 Brett Short
 Jason Sitarski Auto Club 10-12.
 Kristine Stepevich Freshman Girls' Choir 9, Showtime 11,12, Soccer 9-10.
 Daniel Smith Basketball 9, Football 9-12, Soccer 10-12.

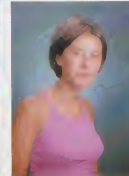


Justin Smith Basketball 9-11, Football 9, Track 10.
 Travis Smith Honor Society 11,12, Math Club 11,12, Orchestra 9-12, Spanish Club 9-12.
 Rachel Soreck Frizzell 11, Journalism 10.
 Andrew Sobacki
 Christopher Soucie





Wendy Spilgerber: Advanced Journalism 1, Booster Club 12, Dance Team 10, Escalator 11, 12 (Academic Editor), French Club 9-11, Gymnastics 9, Diving 9, Amanda Sprehe: GVC 10-12, Honor Society 11, 12, Softball 10-12, Elliot Sprehe: Russ St. Myers Concert Band 9-11, Marching Band 9, 10, Symphonic Band 12, German Club 9-12.



Megan Stanko
Michael Stas
Emily Steiger: Freshman Girls' Choir 9, Treble Choir 11, Mixed Choir 10, Girls' Show Choir 9, Dance Team 12, French Club 10-12, German Club 9, HERO 12, Honor Society 11, 12, Key Club 9-11, Student Council 9, 10, Julie Steinberg: Symphonic Band 10-12, Freshman Girls' Choir 9, Treble Choir 11, Mixed Choir 10, Concert Choir 12, Girls' Show Choir 10-12, Golf 9-12, GVC 10-12, Key Club 9-12, Spanish Club 9-12
Douglas Stephens



Stephanie Straka
Lauren Straker: Diving 9, HERO 12, Michael Surawiec: Courtney Sullivan: GVC 9-12, Gymnastics 9, 10, HERO 12, Track 9-11, Nathan Symczak: Golf 9-12.



Jeffrey Tesomas: Basketball 9-12, Spanish Club 9, 10, Angela Thiede: Christopher Thomas: David Thomas: Auto Club 11, Cross Country 9, 10, HERO 12, Japanese Club 11, 12, Letterman's Club 11, 12, Math Club 12, Prom Committee 11, Spanish Club 9, 10, Track 9, 12, Wrestling 9-12.



Bonita Thomson
Stephanie Thiffault: Booster Club 11, 12, GVC 10, Spanish Club 9, Student Council 12, Diving 9-12, Rhianon Tomaszak: Treble Choir 12, Mixed Choir 11, FCA 11, 12, French Club 9-11, Key Club 9-11, Daniel Todeben: Amanda Turner: Booster Club 9-12, Spanish Club 9, Volleyball 9.



Christina Vace: Freshman Girls' Choir 9, Treble Choir 10, 11, Mixed Choir 11, Spanish Club 9, 10, Lindsay Valentino: Freshman Girls' Choir 9, Treble Choir 11, 12, Mixed Choir 10, Spanish Club 9, 10, Suburban Roots 12, Woodlawn 9-12, Joseph VanVleet: Michael Vanlie: Sarae Ventura: Art Club 9-12, Tech for the Musicals 9-11.

Seamanta Versaiah Biology Club 1
Booster Club 9, 10, Spanish Club 9
David Vink Football 9-12, Golf 9, 10
Letterman's Club 9-12, Wrestling 9-12
Dale Wagner Football 9-12, German Club
9, Letterman's Club 10-12
James Walsh Jazz Band 11, 12, Pep Band
11, 12, FC 9-10-12, Homecoming Court 9
Honor Society 11, 12, Peer As Resource 11,
Rotarians 12, Showtime 11, Speech Club
12, Suburban Roots 12, Track 9, Volleyball
9
Brian Walter Football 9-12, Hockey 9-12
Letterman's Club 10-12

Charles Walter

Amber Walters Booster Club 11, 12
Dance Team 9-12
Gina Ward Key Club 9, Spanish Club
9, 10
Laura Warner Basketball 9-11, GVC 10-
12, HERO 12, Homecoming Court 9
10, Volleyball 9-12
Courtney Warren

David Wasseroft Winter Formal King 12
(Lake Central)

Thomas West Cross Country 10-12,
Kowans 12, Letterman's Club 10-12,
Track 10-12

Esther White HERO 12, Suburban Roots
12

Justin Whitesell Concert Band 9, 10,
Marching Band 9-11, Pep Band 9, 10,
Symphonic Band 11, HERO 11, 12
(President), Key Club 10, Latin Club 9,
Royal Regiment 9-11, Spanish Club 10,
Kira Whitlock Basketball 9

Kevin Wilkinson Baseball 9, 10, 12,
Football 9-12, French Club 9, 10,
Letterman's Club 9-12, Wrestling 9-12

Ryan Wilkinson Baseball 9-12 (Captain),
Football 9-12 (Captain), Letterman's Club
9-12 (President), Wrestling 9-12 (Captain)
Kathy Williams Key Club 9-12
Kristine Williams

Nicholas Wirtz Cross Country 9, 10, Track
9, 10

Quinn Witham

Jacqueline Witt Spanish Club 9-11,
Volleyball 9-11

Brian Young

Matthew Yaran
Joshua Zacher Basketball 9-11, Football
10-12, German Club 9, 10, Letterman's
Club 9-12, Soccer 9-12, Track 9-12



Nicholas Zestankis

Arian Zimmerman Hockey 9-12 (Assistant
Captain 10-12)

Sarah Zondor Basketball 9-12 (Captain
11, 12), GVC 9-12 (Treasurer 11, President
12), Honor Society 11, 12, Kowans 12,
Softball 9-12, Student Council 10, 12,
Volleyball 9-12, Prom Court 12
Michael Zahrigg Baseball 9, 10, Student
Council 12

How Have You CHANGED SINCE FRESHMAN YEAR



"I changed schools during my junior year, so all of my friends changed. I just started doing different, and more exciting things." -Brandon Skopelja

brandon

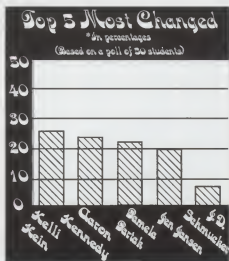


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dana

"I became my own person. When I was a freshman I was scared of high school. As a senior, I knew everything I needed

to." -Dana Granger Photo by Trey Williams



"As a freshman, I was very concerned with what people thought of me. Growing up with my friends those past four years helped me in finding out who I really was." -Nicole Frost

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nicole



"Since my freshman year, I realized that I probably should have taken school more seriously.

anthony

Even though it was nice to slack off, I regretted it in the long run. I also thought that I became more outgoing." -Anthony Eriks with Ryan Wilkinson

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TO WHAT SENIOR PRIVILEGE DID YOU LOOK FORWARD



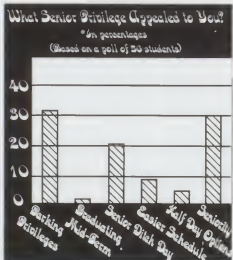
kristin "I was really excited about acquiring seniorities. Also, I looked forward to having an easier year in school. I was so tired of working." -Kristin Frost ←

Photo by Ashley Mann

"I looked forward to having more classes **kenny** that I wanted to take instead of required classes. I also looked forward to parking closer to the school and not on the other side of town." -Kenny Easton



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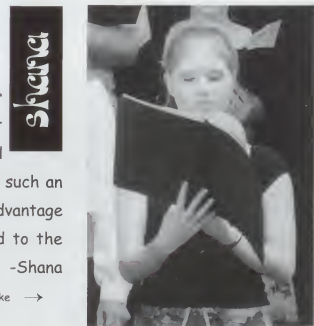


shana "I was excited for my senior year. Just knowing that I had come all that way was such an accomplishment. The advantage that I looked forward to the most was graduation." -Shana Laninga →

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"I really looked forward to attending college visits. I thought that it would have been nice to know **beth** that I wouldn't have to worry about another year of high school." -Beth Erickson (top) with Kathleen Fredericks (10) ↑



Nicole Abshire
 Andrew Aliferakis
 Michelle Allande
 Ryan Allen
 Sherry Almajose





David Alt
Catherine Alltop
Mylan Andjelsch
Joseph Andrus
Peter Ande
Laura Andreoli
Brittany Andrews

Ashley Angelini
Jilliam Appel
Alonso Arambula
James Ashford
Nicole Aubachon
Jacob Babich
Jessica Babich

John Backe
Patrick Bandinger
Jilliam Ballard
Michelle Balaska
Peter Balaska
Neil Baranick
Mervyn Barrene

Michael Barringer
Rachel Bateman
Mark Baumgardner
Melissa Baumgardner
John Beauchamp
Elizabeth Beemsterboer
Bob Bees

Matt Bedines
Donald Benne
Kathryn Bernacchi
Tanya Bertram
Peter Besovic
Ketty Buelek
Allison Bishop

Jessica Bixeman
Marcia Bombagetti
Courtney Bowshert
Keri Boag
Emily Booth
Robert Borman
Jacob Bornmann

Timothy Bosel
Seth Bosman
Michael Bowser
Brandon Boyer
Kim Bradley
Katherine Braggis
Erica Brownesser

Courtney Bright
Luke Bristol
Jenelle Brown
Brenda Brown
Robert Bruno
Laura Bucheli
Breezy Buckley

Mathew Burack
Kippy Bursitt
Melissa Burgess
Katherine Burke
Patrick Byrd
Bob Cackowski
Ryan Canale



Nicholas Camp
Megan Carlson
Douglas Carstens
Sara Chant
Alexis Charopoulos
Lundey Chase
Nicole Chantilo



John Codegon
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Andrew Collins
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James Conley
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Don Copfinger
Thomas Cornelius
Lauren Corradin
Kelly Cowan
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Erin Crowley
Lisa Curry



Nick Damaskas
Jason Daele
Eric Davis
David Davison
Kayla Deneau
Lisa Deneau
Raymond Derreckson



William Derreckson
Kevin Devine
Lisa Diedrich
John Dieckmann
Crystal Dille
Michael Dlugosz
Danelle Dobos



Tiffany Dobos
Steven Doffin
Vernica Dominguez
Colleen Draga
Rachel Drok
Danelle Dukleska
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Kari Duricha
Bradley Dwyer
Brent Early
Ashley Easton
Kenneth Easton
Kandace Eich
Laura Ellis



TREY WILLIAMS

A chance to grasp opportunities

The summer before his junior year, Trey Williams planned on moving to North Carolina because of his father's career. To his benefit, Trey's family decided against the move because they disliked the area to

which they planned on relocating. After that decision to stay here, honors and opportunities seemed to have kept opening for him.

Q: What was the first big honor or opportunity that started off the year?

A: The first big honor that made the year great

"I was thankful for all the new experiences."

was making the play. I finally made it after my third year of trying out, and I didn't think I would because I was sick on the day of auditions. But I found out on the day of callbacks, and I was the only person to find out the night before the cast list was posted. The show only had a cast of ten people, so it was a big deal.

Q: I know that shortly after the fall play there was Homecoming, and you were voted Junior Prince.

How did that make you feel?

A: The homecoming nomination was the best feeling ever. I had never imagined that someone so quiet and set in their ways could be voted as prince. When they announced the court, I was shocked, and then I just returned to my school work. It didn't set in until after class was over and everyone congratulated me.

Q: What other honors or opportunities did the year bring for you? What other things were you involved in?

A: Most of the year I concentrated on my grades, band, newspaper, dramatics, and other scholarly activities. But in the spring I decided to make another change; I joined the track team. I knew that running would be hard work, but I just used that same drive that earns honor roll grades. Running with the varsity guys was a great feeling. I was thankful for all the new experiences and couldn't wait to be a senior.

-Sarah Pasyk

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WHAT WAS THE WORST SONG OF THE YEAR?



"I hated 'It Wasn't Me' by Shaggy and Rik **nicole** Rok because it was very repetitive and the radio played it out too much." -Nicole Krause ↓

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"I didn't like 'Who Let the Dogs Out' by BahaMen.

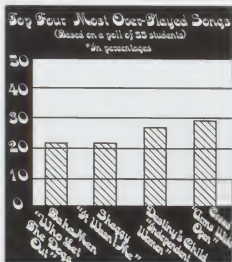
lisa

Every time it came on, I got very annoyed and had to turn it off. It was a fun song until it was played constantly." -Lisa Knopf →

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patrick "The worst song of the year was 3LW's 'No More' because it was the most annoying song in the world, and whenever it came on I wanted to kill myself." -Pat Baidinger

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"I got really sick of the 'Come On Over' song and every other song by that Christina Aguilera **brad** chick. It was played way too much, and she wore too much makeup." -Brad Myers

Photo by Wendy Splitgerber ↑





Jennifer Enright
Amy Englen
Elizabeth Erickson
Tanya Escob
Nathan Evans
Wendy Falkenberg
Christopher Farley



Tracy Farnsworth
John Ferre
Michael Finney
Jordan Fischer
Mark Flornoy
Adam Florentine
Jarrod Fodenski



Heather Forney
Daniel Forsythe
Kaitrina Fotschky
Kristin Frank
Jeannette Frankovsch
Laura Fredericks
Ross Fricke



Kristin Frost
Michael Garrett
Melissa Grogan
Colleen Gruesler
Joseph Gruesher
Melinda Geyer
Kyle Glennon



Josh Goeringer
Renee Goums
Natalie Gomeztagle
Kristin Gondek
Kara Gora
Marina Gorecki
Joan Gorham



Thomas Goresp
Dan Grapido
Matthew Grant
Adam Greer
Kyle Gerych
Jennifer Guard
Timothy Gunn



Stephanie Gursky
Lauren Hack
William Hagarbone
Lauren Hagberg
Steven Hamilton
Chris Hanford
David Hardy



Eric Harts
Courtney Hathaway
Georey Hengley
Anne Hegner
Amanda Hembree
Janet Heweghan
Dana Herwick

David Hicks
Joshua Hiestand
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Jessica Hitchcock
Christine Hodorowicz
John Hora
David Huber



Daniel Hubinger
Joseph Hudson
Jenny Hughes
Christa Hupke
Bryd Hurado
Christina Hurl
Collette Ivey



Emily James
Heather James
Michael Jamison
Amber Jansson
Christopher Janiszewski
Colin Jaschinski
Vera Jancic



Elizabeth Johnson
Joseph Johnson
Gregory Kaminski
Steven Kasanchuk
Matthew Kavanah
Stephanie Keating
Matthew Kellen



David Kerperling
Amanda Ketcher
Karnia Key
Anna Khalid
Tiffany Klausung
Kevin Klein
Katelyn Klepsch



Ryan Kloss
Eric Knapp
Waylon Knight
Lisa Knopf
Kyle Knutson
Dania Koedyker
Jame Koon



Johannes Koop
Seth Korzeniowski
Brian Kowert
Lindsay Kranz
Nicole Krause
Philip Krizanovic
Sisko Krestevski



Candace Kruse
Stacy Kwila
Jeffrey Lambert
Michael LaMere
Megan Langell
Shana Lanning
Sarah Lankford



COURTNEY BONHIVERT

The Life of a Ballerina

Being in ballet and dance had always been a part of Courtney Bonhivert's life. Taking classes twice a week and during the weekends was an added stress to keeping up with her family and friends, participating in the school's orchestra, and dealing with her academic schedule that included three advanced classes. But somehow she found time to keep a 3.5 GPA, practice the violin, and maintain her relationships with her

boyfriend, friends and family.

Q: How long had you been participating in ballet?

A: I had been in ballet for eleven years.

Q: What made you want to join ballet?

A: My mom put me in dance classes when I was four and I

"Dance took a lot of time and dedication, but it was worth it."

loved it so much that I stuck with it.

Q: Did you take any other types of dance classes?

A: I also took a jazz class twice a week and a modern dance class once a week.

Q: How often did you practice ballet?

A: I took ballet classes twice a week, one day for one hour and forty-five minutes and the other for three hours. Also we had rehearsals for our ballet shows during the weekends.

Q: Did you plan on pursuing a career in ballet or dance?

A: I had no definite plans for dance in my future, but it would



Photo Submitted by Courtney Bonhivert

have been fun to do something with it.

Q: What was your favorite part of ballet?

A: My favorite part was definitely doing the ballets on stage at the Star Plaza. It was so cute how all the little kids asked you for your autograph after the show. They thought we were so great!

Q: How did ballet affect your life?

A: Because of ballet, I definitely didn't get to spend as much time with my friends, boyfriend, and family as I would have liked to. But I tried hard to keep my grades up as best as I could, even though I had less time to study, especially when it came time for our ballet performance. **-Ashley Mann**

WHAT TV SHOW DID YOU WISH YOU COULD HAVE BROUGHT BACK



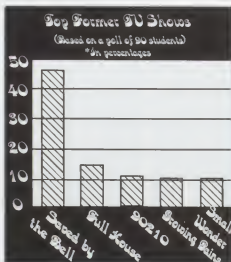
heather

"I thought 90210 should have been brought back because the show related to everyday life situations.

Some of the other shows pertained to when I was younger."

-Heather Forney ←

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"I wished I could have brought back **ryan** 'Saved by the Bell' because Screech Powers was the coolest. I always wanted to be just like him."

-Ryan Allen ↓ Photo by Kristin Frank



"I liked 'Saved by the Bell' because Screech was

cool and Zack was hot. Bringing the show back, would have shown kids that they should not stress about high school."

-Emily James →

emily



"I thought that 'Saved by the Bell' should have been brought back because it was a good comedy show. It had real life situations and problems."

-John Beauchamp ↑

Photo by Kristin Frank





Kare Larson
James Larson
Janice Lemon
Elizabeth Leonard
Elizabeth Lewis
Rachel Lewis
Carly Link



Kyle Long
Thomas Luckey
Heather Lueder
Tiana Lukas
Mike Lulich
Douglas Machalk
Melissa Machowicz



Todd Macuga
Sofia Malik
Brittany Malloy
Ryan Manley
Ashley Mann
Amy Marsh
Bryan Martin



Laura Maurer
Sean McDanel
Megan McDermott
Shanna McGraw
Patrick McInerney
Adam McKown
Kelly McMahon



Joshua Means
Matthew Mehon
Mychelle Merrill
Caitlin Meyer
Jarrin Michaels
John Miller
Joseph Miller



Richard Miller
Steve Miller
Jeffrey Mills
Kara Mislan
Jennifer Mox
Michael Mopper
Richard Moore



William Moore
Shannon Morfin
Maritza Mota
Patrick Mulhern
Abby Munimery
Patrick Munk
Bradley Myers



Sanantha Myers
Sarah Myers
Lara Nault
James Neary
Eric Neely
Jeffrey Nelson
Paul Nelson

Jeremy Nameth
Julie Netherton
Jason Nolan
Kasia Nurik
Nike Nyrbhus
Katie Nysten
Christopher O'Quinn



Eric O'Quinn
Anthony Oherman
Mindy Oliphant
Richard Oliver
Douglas Olson
Ryan Orzechowicz
Dale Packard



Jillan Palency
Aimee Palotti
Barbara Panzani
Matthew Payk
Jared Patterson
David Pavlides
Mike Perkins



Jason Petalas
Jaclyn Phelan
Jeffrey Phillips
Jennifer Plante
Ashley Plumley
Holly Potter
Jason Powell



Nicholas Preslar
Matthew Pressel
Anthony Pruski
Amanda Purkey
Jordan Pate
Sarah Pyle
Dustin Quernig



Tiffany Rasberry
Emily Rauh
Joshua Ratnay
Kelly Rediger
Adam Reed
Lita Renklager
Philip Rendana



Christopher Renker
Yasmin Reyes
Blake Reynolds
Chelsa Riley
Kostadin Rutevski
Ashley Rivera
Ashleigh Robbman



Michael Roccaforte
Adam Rogala
Tiffany Rowan
Matthew Ruble
Casey Russell
Daniel Russell
Kerstin Russell



TODD MACUGA

Riding towards Success

Throughout his life, Todd Macuga had been involved with horses. His interest in horses lead Todd to his new found hobby of horse judging. He was a member of the Lake County 4-H Horse Judging Team.



Photo submitted by Todd Macuga (far right)

Q: What was the horse judging team?

A: It was a team of four people that lived in Lake County and competed at the regional level at horse shows. Judging emphasized verbal explanations of horse characteristics to help train you to be a professional judge.

"My favorite part was traveling the country."

Q: How did you become interested in horses?

A: I had been riding and showing horses for about seven years and I had always been interested in them.

Q: What kind of competitions did you compete in?

A: They were typical horse shows in which many teams were invited to come and compete. We were placed according to how well we placed the horses and team points toward state qualification.

Q: What was your favorite part about horse judging?

A: My favorite part was traveling the country to compete. My team had traveled to Kentucky, Oklahoma, Canada, California, and Arizona.

Q: What made the horse judging team fun?

A: Meeting new people and expanding my knowledge about international horse standards made it fun.

Q: What awards did you win?

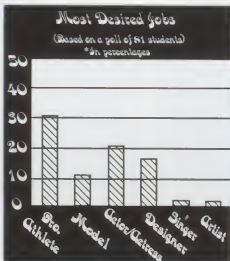
A: I placed second at the Edinburgh regional, third in the state, and ninth at the Arabian and Half-Arabian U.S. Nationals. -Karie Larsen

WHAT WOULD HAVE BEEN YOUR DREAM JOB?



"I would have been neat to have my own name **jessica** brand of clothing. I would have liked to see famous people wearing the designs I made. I would have made me feel like I got somewhere in life." -Jessica Hitchcock ↓ Photo by Kristen Frank

kristin "I would have liked to be a designer. I loved thinking in creative ways, making something out of nothing, and expressing myself in creative ways." -Kristin Frank Photo by Giolas ←



"I would have wanted to be a pro athlete because they made a lot of money and they enjoyed the finer things in life. They also received special privileges." -Mike Dlugokinski → Photo by Giolas



"My dream job was to be an artist. I thought it would have been the most satisfying and **emily** beneficial talent a person could have had. I also thought that I chose an artist simply for the relaxation of it compared to other jobs." -Emily Tromp Photo by Melissa Mariola ↑





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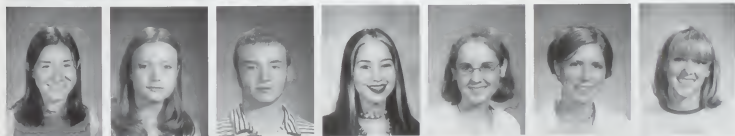
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Kevin Sengle
Brianey Senechal
Kathleen Shaw
Nicholas Shofstahl



Ryan Simko
Ellen Sotavans
Richard Slusna
Cameron Smith
Doug Smith
Jim Smith
Marc Smith



Rachel Smith
Veronica Smock
Timothy Sokuney
Valerie Solomon
Allison Southall
Angela Spadoni
Kayla Spillers



Adam Splitgerber
Jack Spor
Michael Staneck
Randy Staples
Aleksandar Stojekski
Brian Storkowski
James Stravall



Michael Straka
Nikola Sulecki
Mercedith Swan
Amanda Swanson
Stephane Swanson
Kimberly Sykes
Jennifer Synnnes



Nolan Stalmawski
Scott Szymborski
Susan Thomas
John Thompson
Kelli Thompson
Kelley Thoren
Matthew Tomczak

Simon Trajkovich
Machelle Trapp
Carissa Triplett
Emily Tromp
Michael Turner
Michael Unboch
Katie Van Sersen



Michael Vargan
Douglas Vaughan
Sandy Veljanoski
Amber Vick
Sarah Vickers
Panagota Vlahos
Alexander Vlassopoulos



Ryan Voyles
Jeffrey Walsh
Rachel Walters
Holi Warneke
Daniel Warner
Crystal Weaver
Georganne Weber



Alexandra Webster
Nancy Webmeyer
Kari Wessel
Randi Welch
Derek Werners
Jason West
Michael Westerhoff



Justin White
Keith Williams
Trey Williams
Carter Wilho
Janelle Willoughby
Ashley Wilson
Billy Wilson



Ryan Wilson
Andrew Wirtz
Alison Witt
Russell Witt
Hadi Wolf
Joshua Wolfe
Meredith Wood



Robert Woodsley
Kara Woberspoon
Ashley Young
Joshua Yuran
Timothy Zacher
Matthew Zalecki
Shannon Zart



Paul Zato
Rebecca Zaucha
Leonard Zelma
Ryan Zeron
Leslee Zona
Jonathan Zanca
Kristin Zyck



CHRIS SELESKI

Young rapper tastes fame

Listening to music one day, Chris Seleski realized that he possessed a talent not many had. He began to write his own rap songs and pursued his dreams of becoming a famous rap artist.



Photo by Sarah Pasyk

Q: When did you start rapping?

A: I started rapping in eighth grade as a hobby. I became serious about it the summer before my junior year when I hooked up with L.I.T. Records.

Q: What got you involved in rapping?

A: I was rapping with friends, and we thought we

"My grandfather taught me a lot about life."

sounded better than who we were listening to. We collaborated to form 2-4-6 Playaz, and started writing. I later started to get my name out, and that is how I eventually got my first record deal.

Q: Who were your major role models or influences?

A: My grandfather taught me a lot about life: to try my hardest no matter what I did. Also Tupac because

he was a very poetic man who believed the world could be changed through poetry and music.

Q: Where have you performed?

A: I performed almost every Wednesday at Suburban Roots. I had a huge concert in April with my record label. I also performed at the Crown Point Festival on May 26, 2001.

Q: What is your most memorable experience during your musical career?

A: I remembered when I first started recording in Second Route Studios and was able to edit, mix, and adjust my own music. I couldn't believe I was in a professional studio beginning to record my first album entitled "Both Sides of the Story." -Lauren Hagberg

WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE REALITY TV SHOW?



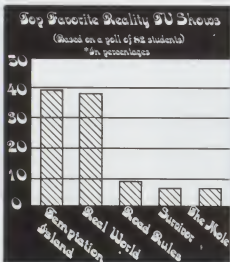
"I did not like reality TV because I thought people were portrayed differently by the producers."

-Bobby Rutherford Photo by

Veronica Dominguez

deidra "I really liked 'Temptation Island' because it was really entertaining watching couples falling in love with another person."

-Deidra Paitsell Photo by Gias



"My favorite show was the 'Real World' because seven strangers were forced to live together. I liked it because they were almost my age."

-Lauren Angel Photo by Lisa Knopf



"I really liked to watch reality television because I liked seeing how fake the people were, and it was just fun to watch. I thought it was so popular because people liked to watch what other people did in their lives."

-Adam Miller Photo by

Veronica Dominguez





Josh Aernern
William Agans
Alexis Aiello
Branko Alorajni
Cristina Alota
Konstantine Aliferakis
Ashley Amodeo

Catrina Amodeo
Joshua Anderson
Joseph Anello
Lauren Angel
Catherine Argalaine
Christopher Arges
Lauren Armenta

Daniel Arts
Michael Ashford
Amanda Ashley
Jennifer Asplund
Richard Aukins
Amber Baccus
Marshall Back

Brandi Baker
Marc Balicivis
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Roger Bunch
Christine Burns
Christopher Bush
Troy Bush
Elizabeth Camp
Ashley Campbell
Sarah Carr

Courtney Carstens
Kathryn Cartwright
Colleen Cash
Sean Cash
Melissa Costel
Andrew Cotta
Aaron Chandler



Alison Chepela
Erin Chick
David Clayton
Joel Cook
Aimee Cooper
Mark Cooper
Scott Cooper



Emily Corbin
Nicole Coros
Christopher Cox
Lara Cota
Ken Cuculich
Javier Cuevas
Nicholas Cusack



Violeta Cvetanovska
Keith D'Andrea
Sean Daker
Heather Dallman
Katherine Damundak
Joshua Damjanovic
Bobby Davis



Jenna Debnitowski
Sara Denoux
Stephane Dennis
Jose Desiderio
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Tony Ditrich
Joeli Dixon



Cynthia Dodge
Julia Donaldson
Matthew Doan
Samuel Downs
Dannette Dravet
Lindsay Dykes
Kara Dykhus



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Wesley Dykstra
Alyssa Eason
Matthew Eaton
Anna Egofoke
Scott Elmke
Daniel Ellich



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Amanda Endris
Joseph Erb
Stephen Ester
Jacob Ewing
Allie Fargo
Shannon Farmworth



HEATHER WHITE

Dedicated Teen wins Award

Heather White took her good intentions to help others one step further. Delivering lunch trays, pouring coffee, or helping with maintenance were among the volunteer activities that she did on her days off.

Q: What type of volunteer work did you do?

A: I had volunteered at the Chicagoland Christian Village nursing home for four years during the summer, half-days, and on breaks. I volunteered in every department, so my duties varied anywhere from maintenance

to secretarial work.

Q: What got you involved in volunteering?

A: A friend who stopped volunteering got me started.

Q: What was the best part of your experiences?

"My reason for volunteering was the kindness in my heart."

A: The best part of my experiences was knowing how much I had accomplished and seeing that the little things meant so much to others.

Q: What was your most memorable experience?

A: I remembered coming in one morning and I started talking to the volunteer coordinator. She said to me, "I nominated you for some state award, 'Volunteer of the Year,' but you probably won't get it because so many nursing homes enter." So I just kind of shrugged it off. One day I walked in her office and she had a few tears in her eyes. I asked her what happened and



Photo by R. Overbeeke

she then told me that I won volunteer of the year. I was so excited. I received a plaque and was in so many papers. So that experience definitely stuck out in my mind.

Q: Did you volunteer alone or with other groups of people?

A: I had two of my friends start, and once in a while, they both came and we all volunteered together.

Q: What was your motivation for volunteering?

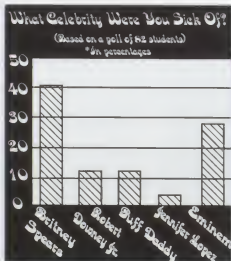
A: My reason for volunteering was kindness in my heart. I really enjoyed working and interacting with the residents. My motivation was knowing my accomplishments at the end of the day. -Lauren Hagberg

WHAT CELEBRITY RECEIVED TOO MUCH ATTENTION?



amber "I didn't like Britney Spears because she had no idea of what she sang about. Not only did she not have talent, but she was a bad role model." -Amber Bacavis ←

Photo by Stephanie Black



"I was sick of hearing about Eminem because **branko** he was always getting into trouble, and the media would not leave him alone." -Branko Alavanja Photo by Giolas ↓



renee "Britney Spears received too much attention. I wished that people who were fully dressed who truly had talent were recognized more." -Renee Rysiewicz Photo by Stephanie Black →

Stephanie Black



"I was sick of hearing about how Britney Spears had such a big influence with the way that she dressed and the way that little **temple** girls looked up to her. I did not like hearing parents with young children complain about the way she dressed either." -Temple Martin Photo by Giolas ↑





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CRAIG HORVAT

Award winning Art Design

Craig Horvat entered an art design into the Lake County Publication Department and received notable attention throughout Lake County as his design and his face were displayed on Fair advertisements.

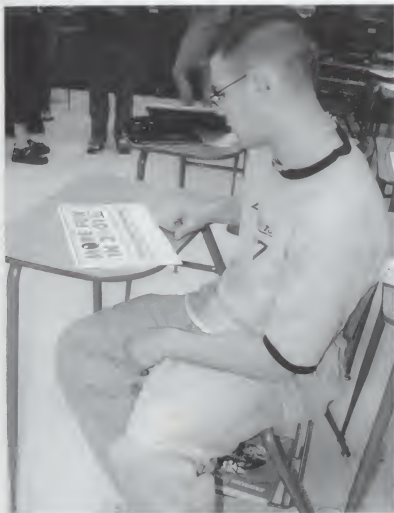


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Q: Why did you submit art into the contest?

A: We had to do the project in drawing class. The class had to do for points. Mrs. Donna Pancini said that she liked to work it into the curriculum because it gave us real life experiences.

"I could not believe I had won. It was such an honor."

Q: What did your design look like?

A: It had the saying "More Fun In 2001", a balloon was in the "O" in "More."

Q: Where was your design displayed?

A: It was on all the brochures, the entrances into the fair, and all over billboards in Lake County and parts of Illinois.

Q: Who informed you that you had won?

A: My art teacher, Mrs. Pancini, told me.

Q: How did you feel?

A: I was shocked at first, then I was very excited.

Q: What did you win?

A: I won fifty dollars and a free pass to the fair. Plus my picture was on brochures and billboards across the county.

Q: How did you plan to follow your gift in the future?

A: I wanted to go to an art college or major in art. I would have liked to possibly sell my artwork.

Q: Did you do anything else in your free time?

A: Beside art, I was the starting catcher for the junior varsity baseball team.

Q: Did you have any words to sum up your experience?

A: It was real cool that I won this award, and I was very excited that I had won. **-Stephanie Black**

WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE PLACE TO EAT?



"I liked to eat at BW3's in Merrillville. **angie**

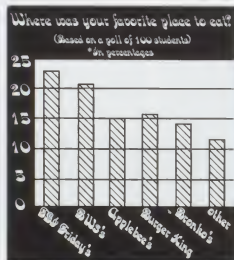
It had great food and fun games to play at the same time. My favorite part of the meal there was the buffalo wings. They also had potato skins plus many other things."

-Angie Tsikouris Photo by Katelin Klepsh



heather "My favorite restaurant was BW3's. That was the place to be after a night out, either with a date or friends. BW3's also had fun food." -Heather Dallman

Photo by Giolas



"My favorite place to eat was Arby's. It was not a typical burger place. Being the only fast food restaurant with curly fries and roast beef sandwiches made the trip worth it." -Natalie Mengel

Photo by Sarah Pasyk



"My favorite restaurant to eat at was TGI Friday's in Merrillville. It was a really fun place to go to and I just loved going **colleen** there with my friends. We were able to act wild and crazy all the time. I also liked it because I could eat healthy."

-Colleen Cash Photo by Farren Roark



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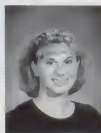
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HEATHER LOOSEMORE

Brown Belt Dreams of Olympics

Inspired to begin karate by her parents, Heather Loosemore gained respect and recognition from others as she quickly surpassed their expectations, as well as her own.



Photo by R. Overbeek

Q: How long had you been involved with Karate?

A: I had been involved with Karate for four years. I had just recently become a brown belt.

Q: How did you get involved in Karate?

A: One day my whole family just decided to join, and I just chose to stick with it.

*"Karate is my life. I never
have time for anything else."*

Q: How often did you practice?

A: I practiced between three and five nights a week for about two hours.

Q: Where did you take classes at?

A: I took classes at Homann Karate Do.

Q: What goals had you achieved?

A: As a freshman, I won first in sparring and in forms at Nationals. Then, as a sophomore, I won first in sparring and in sparring and grappling at Internationals.

Q: What were your future goals?

A: Well, I hoped to make it to the 2004 Olympics. It would be the first time that Karate was an event.

Q: What was the best thing about being in Karate?

A: Before I became involved with Karate, I was very shy, but I had become much more outspoken and self-confident.

Q: What, if any, were the bad aspects of being in Karate?

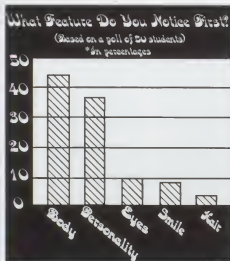
A: I never seemed to have time for anything besides Karate. I had to work around my practices in order to date. It also seemed that it intimidated and scared some of the guys away. **-Farren Roark and Wendy Splitgerber**

WHAT DID YOU LOOK FOR IN A MATE?



ashleigh "I looked for a guy who treated me well. There was nothing more attractive than a hot guy who also liked to treat me like a princess."
-Ashleigh Goetz ←

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"My perfect guy would have had to be taller than **megan** me. He would also have to have been very kind, smart, caring, and honest." -Megan Reid Photo

by Wendy Splitgerber



"My perfect mate would have had any color hair except red and would have been tan. I was very active, so she would have had to be in shape."
-Andrew Certa

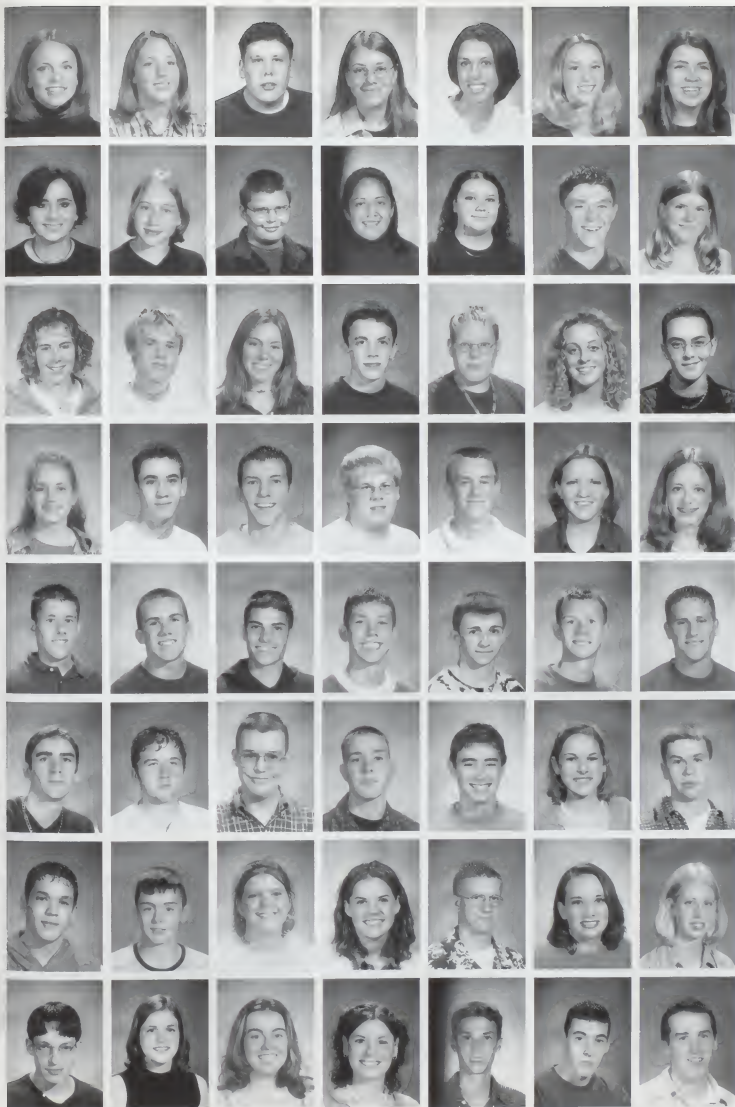
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"The girl of my dreams would have had a good sense of humor. Physical appearance was also important, although it did not matter what color hair or eyes she had. Also, there was nothing better than a bright, sparkling smile." -Chuck Fry ↑

Photo by Wendy Splitgerber





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Amber West



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Brian Wheeler
Michelle Wheeler
Heather White
Phillip White
Robin White
Alice Wilden



Rebecca Will
Danielle Willard
Benjamin Williams
Bradley Wilson
Britanna Wirtz
Matthew Wise
Jarne Worst



Andrew Wring
Becky Wrynosiak
Lea Yelich
Catherine Yokovich
Ailee Ziemann
Amy Zondor



MARK VLINK

Wrestling his way to semi-state

For as long as he could remember, Mark Vlink had been involved with wrestling in one way or another. Although he followed in his older brothers' footsteps, he made a name for himself.

Q: How long had you been wrestling?

A: I had been wrestling ever since I could remember. Even as an infant, my brother and I wrestled together.

Q: Why did you decide to get involved with the sport

"I have been wrestling ever since I could remember."

of wrestling?

A: My entire family was involved. My dad coached and both of my brothers were involved, so it was always just sort of there.

Q: What was your favorite aspect of wrestling?

A: Everything. The competitions were my favorite, but I liked every part of it.

Q: What wrestler did you look up to?

A: I looked up to my older brother, David (12). He had always encouraged me, even when we weren't getting along.

Q: How did you feel about having your dad for a coach?

A: It was not that bad. He treated me just the same as he treated everybody else.

Q: What other honors did you achieve in wrestling?

A: My record was 30-10. I also qualified for semi-state.

Q: What goals did you have for the future?

A: I hoped to have the opportunity of qualifying for the state tournament and possibly winning conference when I became a junior.

Q: What were your other hobbies and interests?

A: I also played football in the fall and golfed in the spring. **-Farren Roark and Wendy Splitgerber**



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WHAT WAS THE BEST "FRIENDS" EPISODE



"I liked the episode when Pheobe's doll house burned down. She took it seriously, thinking that the dolls had feelings." -Robert Slepcevic (left) with Dave Swenson

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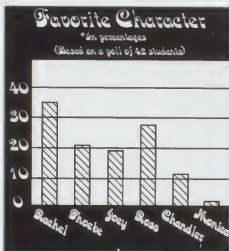
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Amber Alltop



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"My favorite episode was when they played football on Thanksgiving for the Gellar Cup. I liked the part when Monica got short-shocked." -Angie Fodemski

Photo by Sarah Pasyk



"I would have to say that my favorite episode from that season was when Joey and Chandler rode into Monica and Rachel's apartment on the big white dog." -Jamie Jansen (right) with Kelly Underwood (10)

Photo by Giolas



"My favorite episode of 'Friends' was when Ross and Monica got into a fight and they played a big football game in the park. I also enjoyed the episode when both Joey and Chandler fought over the Swedish girl. It was pretty funny." -Kevin McFadden

Photo by Veronica Dominguez

jennie





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Rebecca Duncan
Joshua Easto
Jillian Echterling
David Elam
Joshua Emmons



DAVIS TWINS

Lifelong Best Friends

Although they said that they had no special spiritual or mental connection with each other, having a twin brought many positives experiences to Ashley and Christie Davis' childhoods and lives.



Christie (left) and Ashley (right)

Photo by Veronica Dominguez

Q: How did having a twin affect your childhood?

Ashley: I think that having a twin affected my childhood in a great way. If I ever needed someone to hang out with when I was little, my sister was always there.

Q: Did you argue or compete with each other?

"Not being twins, we had different perspectives on life." -Christie

Christie: We argued constantly! It was mostly over clothes and who could use the phone at a certain time.

Ashley: Yes, it could have been over the littlest thing, but we turned it into a fight. We competed in sports. She was better in some, and I was better in some.

Q: What things did you do with each other that you couldn't do with just any friend?

Christie: Well, we were always at family events together, but that was about it. I could have done everything the same with all my other friends.

Q: Did you ever think of having a double wedding or going to college together?

Christie: I never really thought of a double wedding, but when I think about it, it might be fun.

Ashley: No, I hated the idea of having a double wedding, but I thought it would be nice to go to the same college because it would be easier to adapt to the change with someone.

Q: Did people often confuse you with each other?

Christie: They did not really confuse us. We looked different, but people still called us the wrong names. **-Veronica Dominguez and Sarah Pasyk**



Ashley (left) and Christie (right)
Photo submitted by Christie Davis

WHO DO YOU ADMIRE MOST?



"I admired my friend Colleen Mitchell. We could have talked and related about anything. She was also one of the best listeners I had ever known." -Anna Argadine ↓

Photo by Giolas



Nectaria "I admired my mom the most because she was always there for me whenever I needed her. My mom was the person that I wanted to grow up to be." -Nectaria Aliferakis

Photo by Sarah Pasyk ←



mark "James Hetfield was who I looked up to. He was the best singer/songwriter and guitar player in the music industry. He played for the band Metallica. They were the most original band and did not annoy me." -Mark Lemke →

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"My mother was the one person that I admired most. She was intellectually strong and she took pride in her work as a Microbiologist, Hematologist, and a Medical Technician. She worked diligently and to me, she was the world." -Jocelyn Juarez ↑

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Mary Galozzis
Amanda Ganzza
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Joseph Huber



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Collin Jones
Tiffany Jordan
Jocelyn Juarez
Teresa Kaminski
David Keck
Kristin Kelleher
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Caitlin Kerr
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Lauren Kirchhoff
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Allison Kloss
Cristian Koch
Lauren Kocher
William Kolloway
Lindsay Korus
Ashley Korzemecka
Benjamin Korzemecka



SEAN DOLAN

Dolan grinds it up on and off the job

Skate tricks of 360's, hand plants, and soul grinds were usual sites (and experiences) for Sean Dolan... at work. Dolan, an aggressive skater, not only found a hobby that he loved, but a job working with that hobby as well.



Photo submitted by Sean Dolan

Q: What was your first skating experience like?

A: The first time I ever went skating was when I was 13. I was at a little roller rink that had been filled with rails and launch ramps. Even though I was horrible the first time, I learned off other people by watching them skate.

"I loved the scares and the excitement of landing hard tricks."

Q: What made you want to start skating? Who or what was your inspiration?

A: The amazement of watching people aggressive skate made me want to skate. My friends who skated inspired me to keep skating.

Q: How often did you skate? Where and with whom did you skate?

A: I used to skate almost every day during the summer at the Crown Point Skate Park. That's where I worked. I skated mostly with my friends, but also with everyone else who came to skate.

Q: What did you enjoy most about skating?

A: I loved the scares and excitement of landing hard tricks.

Q: What was your largest accomplishment?

A: My biggest accomplishment was being able to do a job doing something that I love and getting paid for it in the meantime.

Q: What were some goals that you set for yourself as a skater?

A: One of my goals that I set was to compete in a tournament and win. **-Sarah Pasyk**



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WHAT DID YOU THINK OF BOY BANDS?



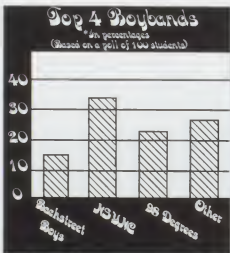
jennifer "People made them such a big deal. I thought they were good, but some people were fanatics. I think people also liked them because they were artists." -Jennifer Strempka

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"I liked boybands, especially *NSYNC.

joanna They were always able to keep me interested. I thought it was cool when guys could sing and express themselves." -JoAnna Heneghan

Photo by Giolas



jenny "Some boy bands were good, and others were just trying to act like the more popular boybands. Overall, I believed *NSYNC was the best because they had more variety." - Jenny Boris

Photo by Giolas



john "My opinion on boybands was that they were not really that good. People gave them way too much credit and they did not have much talent. They had gotten away with a few good songs, but if they were not 'good looking' no one would have cared for them." -John Abbate

Photo by Jessica Koscielniak



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Janessa Rucser
Stephanie Ritter
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Ryan Roccaforte
Kate Rock
Jennifer Roebler
Anna Rollins
Rachel Roman
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MATT COWAN

It was not all about sports!

Matt Cowan's two favorite things were hanging out with his friends and family, and playing sports. Being a three sport athlete was very time consuming, but Matt continued to sit back and play a little bit of music.



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Q: How did you become interested in playing music?

A: My sister started playing the piano when I was seven. After she started playing, my parents forced me to play too. I did not like it at first, but I learned to like it and even music in general.

"I did not mind working hard at practice and during games."

Q: How did your interest grow after learning how to play?

A: After taking lessons on the piano, other instruments became easier to play. Playing music, in general, just seemed easier. I took up interests in instruments such as the trumpet, guitar, and the accordion.

Q: What sports did you mainly focus on?

A: My dad always pushed me to be in many sports because he was extremely athletic and so was his family. My dad really pushed me to excel in football, basketball, and baseball. When I was going to play

varsity football, he almost passed out. I did not mind working hard at practice and during games because I would not have been able to make it without his help.

Q: Did any of your future plans include anything to do with music and sports?

A: Sports had always been one of my passions, but I was probably not good enough to make it anywhere big. However, my future plans after high school just might include music. Music was always something I could fall back on. Whatever my future entailed, whether it was music, sports, or maybe something totally different, I knew I really wanted to attend Indiana University. **-Jessica Koscielniak**

WHAT SURPRISED YOU? MOST ABOUT HIGH SCHOOL



Jim "I was surprised at how confusing the hallways were. At the beginning of the year it seemed like there were so many halls and classrooms." -Jim Saunders

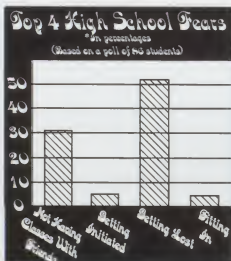
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"I was surprised at how everyone was so **jennifer** different. I was also surprised at how it was not as hard as I thought it would be." -Jennifer Lynch ↓

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Jeffrey Russell
Andrew Sager
Jeremiah Samples
Joseph Sanchez
Stephanie Sandella
David Sanelik



Jimmy "I was not scared about school because I knew people from the soccer team. I was surprised to see most of my friends and all of the different people that I met from the upperclass in my classes and in my lunch." -Jimmy Orchowski Photo by R. Overbeeke →



"I was surprised at how everyone was so different. No one cared about how you looked or anything, **amanda** and everyone was really nice. Also, the classes weren't as hard as everyone said they were going to be." -Amanda Wilson Photo by J. Koscielniak ↑

Jimmy



Josh Gasperen
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Carley Smith
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Audrey Stephens

James Stewart
Michael Stewart
Pen Stoyarski
John Stollenberg
Eric Strange
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Jennifer Tomera
Kyle Trugusch
Matthew Trybala
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Matthew Wirtz
John Wragg
Sara Wright
Melinda Zacher



Amber Zbell
Ryan Zec
Lauren Zick
Krysta Ziehnaki



HEATHER GRIFFIS

Everything from sports to school

Smart, athletic, and busy were three among many words to summarize Heather Griffis. As a freshman in a sophomore honors class, in two other advanced classes, the cross country MVP, and part of the track team, Griffis put much time and dedication toward her school work and activities.



Photo by Jessica Koscielniak

Q: What did you enjoy most about track and cross country?

A: I enjoyed making friends with the girls with whom I ran and the self-satisfaction that I got when I ran

"I enjoy making friends with the girls..."

well in practice or in a race.

Q: How did you feel about being MVP?

A: I was very honored. We all worked very hard all season. The team was so positive, even if someone was having a bad day and did not want to practice, they were encouraging. I really looked forward to the next season! I thought that as a team we could have done even better than we did this year!

Q: What advanced classes were you in as a freshman?

A: I was in Honors English, Honors Advanced Algebra, and Biology.

Q: Honors Advanced Algebra was a sophomore class.

Did this create a lot of pressure for you?

A: Absolutely!! When I first walked into the class on the first day of school I was a bit overwhelmed, but then I got to know a few people and was more comfortable.

Q: What were some of your scholastic goals and running goals for the future?

A: I wanted to run in State at least once during my high school cross country season. I had hoped to make it to state my freshman year, but definitely the next year. My scholastic goal was to maintain a 3.75 GPA or better. **-Taryn Salmi**

WHAT WOULD YOU REMEMBER MOST AFTER RETIREMENT?



Kvachkoff "I would remember the people I met...the students, staff and faculty. It was my privilege to work with them. We were truly a cross section of society."

It was a wonderful place to work."

-Mrs. Barbara Kvachkoff ←

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Some really great students, student-athletes, faculty and staff "People!" -Mr. Ronald Coghill

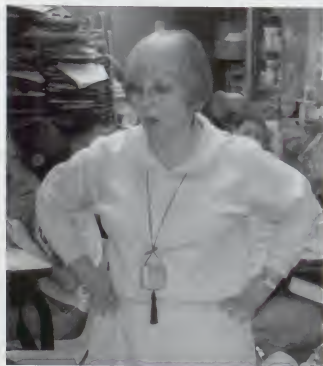
"Working with other teachers to try to make CPHS a better place for teachers and students, and, in the process, forming some wonderful friendships," -Mr. Darwin Kinney

"I remembered fondly the beautiful mix of individuals that were my students. I remembered proudly that I was a contributing member to an outstanding faculty," -Mr. Ed O'Brien

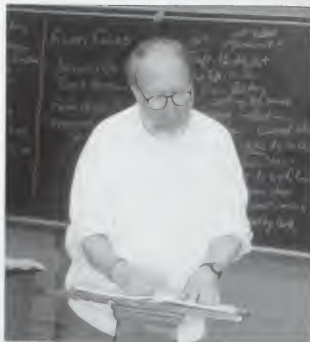
"The students, teachers, and all the other staff members who made these years seem like fun rather than a job." -Mr. David Schoon

"I would remember the students and the light in **Sykes** their eyes when they understood, the total misery when they didn't, and the total growth of learning."

-Mrs. Diane Sykes ↓



Schlueter "The people I worked with over the years were uppermost in my memory always. I was grateful to God for the opportunity to have enjoyed my position for so many years!" -Mrs. Judy Schlueter →



"Without question, I most remembered the students. I had the opportunity to teach the most wonderful, interesting, hard- **Holcomb** working, creative, and intelligent students. In paraphrasing one of my favorite bands, 'What a long, strange, (and wonderful) trip it was!'" ↑ -Mr. Jerry Holcomb





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Mathematics, Boys' Soccer Coach

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M.A.T.-Science

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Science

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Hagerman, Bridget: Indiana State University,

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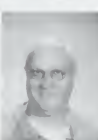
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MR. SCHRADER

Respected leader says good-bye

After 19 years of serving as a friend, confidant and the Assistant Principal, Mr. Schrader decided to retire and say his final good-bye to students, faculty, and friends.



Photo by Jessica Koscielniak

Q: How long were you an Assistant Principal?

A: I was here for 19 years, and I was also at Taft for 5 years.

Q: Why did you choose a career in education?

A: I always admired teachers for all that they did for students. A teacher inspired me to go

"I was impressed with how well students did academically."

into education. I really enjoyed working with students, teachers, and parents.

Q: If you could have been anything else, besides a Principal, what would you have been?

A: A Ball State University Professor encouraged me to attend Indiana University Law School. I also liked finance, as in stocks and investments.

Q: What were some of your favorite

extracurricular events to attend throughout the years?

A: I enjoyed attending all of the sporting events along with musicals and drama events.

Q: What was your favorite time of year around the school?

A: I liked the fall because I could see the students and faculty again. It was nice being at school events in athletics, music, and drama. I did not like the summer because I was the summer school principal and was required to be inside the building.

Q: What did you think you would remember most about Crown Point High School after you retired?

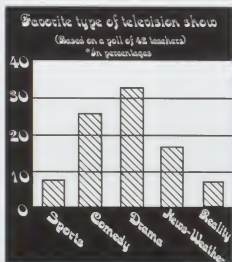
A: I would remember all of the faculty and students that I met and worked with throughout the 24 year period of time. **-Jessica Koscielniak and Lindsey Ciochina**

How REALISTIC WAS "BOSTON PUBLIC"?



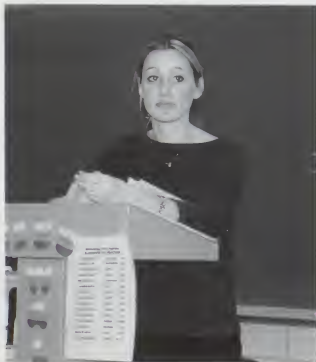
bartolomeo "I found it hilarious in the sense that everything was blown way out of proportion. Shooting a gun in class and not getting fired for it? HaHa." -Mr. Anthony Bartolomeo

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"'Boston Public' was not a realistic portrayal of **walker** high school. While it was nice to see that the teachers had creative freedom, they behaved inappropriately." -Miss Misty Walker

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york "I only watched the show once and didn't find it compelling enough to watch again. The focus seemed to be on the most negative aspects of schools and teaching." -Mrs. Kelly York with daughter Kayla →

Photo by R. Overbeeke



"I thought 'Boston Public' displayed a terrible view of public education and had developed stereotypes in which **malaski** parents and politicians used to help reach their own personal agendas. I watched it every week!" -Mr. Mike Malaski ↑

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York, Kelly: Ball State University, B.S.-English, Girls' Cross Country Coach

Not Pictured
Bert Auelo: School Board Member

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Ferro, Kim: Network Technician

Fox, Kimberly: Business Manager

Toering, Margo: Director of Technology/Media

Individual Unity

Fall instituted a number of changes as new coaches were installed in the boys' soccer team as well as the volleyball team programs at the start of the season. "I think that because of Coach Doane we really improved as a team; he gave us the confidence we needed," said Nicole Smoljan (10). Consequently, Mr. Dave Egofske announced his retirement as the head football coach after a disappointing season. The girls' golf team conquered the greens at Sandy Pines to secure a Sectional championship while the boys' cross country led the way with a 12th place semi-state ranking .

Winter chills did not halt success for the dance team as they travelled to nationals in Orlando, Florida where they placed 28th. Over winter break, the cheerleaders flew to Dallas, Texas and placed 18th at the National Cheerleading Association finals. Down in Indianapolis, Kevin Wilkinson (12) fought a tough wrestling match which placed him eighth in the state. "Our team goal was to get past Sectionals; it was great when we accomplished it," said Tony Schoeffel (12). Sarah Zondor (12) led the girls' basketball team to a Sectional championship as they defeated Merrillville.

Spring's inconstant weather could not deter the efforts of the sport teams. The girls' softball team accomplished a major upset when they defeated number-one, state-ranked Portage during the season. "Beating the number one team was the most exciting part of the season and a perfect finish for my birthday," said Amy Zondor (10). Meanwhile, boys' track and boys' golf finished the season with only four losses, all to Duneland Conference teams. The girls' tennis team continued their sectional winning streak as they defeated Griffith. **-Melissa Mariola**



Using all of his strength and concentration, Dale Packard (11) stretches out to gain as much height and distance as possible in the long jump division of a track and field meet against Merrillville. At this away meet, Packard finished fifth overall in the event, while the team lost, leaving Merrillville High School with a final score of 39-47. Besides the long jump, Packard ran the 100, 200, and 400-meter events. He was also a key contributor to the junior varsity 4 X 1 and 4 X 4 relay teams. Packard said that the 4 X 1 relay was his favorite event to compete in. Photo by Golas

sweet sorrow

Imagine a perfect fall day, with bright sunlight, a gentle breeze and the far off sound of birds chirping. Suddenly, a small white ball whizzes past your head. As you turn, you realized you were standing in the middle of a fairway and the girls' golf season was well under way.

At the start of the season, second year coach, Mrs. Angie (Henley) Smith (physical education) set three goals for the team. Coach Smith said, "I wanted to win conference, win sectionals and improve averages for all of the golfers." Although they did not end as Conference champions, five out of six of the golfers did improve their averages, and the team won sectionals.

As sectionals began, the team stepped up to the challenge. "Winning sectionals was definitely the biggest highlight of the season," said Kelley Thorsen (11). Coach Smith said, "We started the season off great, but then we fell into a slump. Fortunately, we came back strong and won sectionals." In the regional match, the team finished with a score of 351, just one stroke away from advancing to the state competition. Although they lost, the team finished ahead of long time rival, Valparaiso.

At the end-of-the-season banquet, Kelley Thorsen (11) and Jessica Koscielniak (10) were named co-M.V.P.'s. Looking back, Nicole Frost (12) said, "The highlight of the season was just hanging out with the girls and Mrs. Smith and talking about our problems. I'll always remember that." **-Katie Reid**

Coach- Angie Smith

Record- 11-3

Conference Record-
4-3

Post Season-
Sectional Champs,
fourth place at
Regionals

MVP- Kelley Thorsen
(11) and Jessica
Koscielniak (10)

Girls' Golf

Pushing for the putt

Concentrating intensely, Melissa Mariola (12) attempts to push the ball over the rim of the cup. Mariola was named Academic All-State and won the team's Positive Mental Attitude Award. Photo by Gielas





Slow and steady

Julie Steinberg (12) taps the ball gently to put it in the hole during the match against Valparaiso. The team went on to lose to this long time rival with a score of 190-184.

Photo by Giolas

Clearly disappointed

With a look of contempt, Jessica Koscielniak (10) attempts to finish a hole at White Hawk Country Club, the team's home course. Koscielniak was named co-M.V.P and averaged a score of 44 for 9 holes. Photo by Giolas



Kelley Thorsen (11)

"One of my personal goals was to qualify for state, which unfortunately, I did not. Winning sectionals and missing state by only one stroke were the highlights of the season, but my favorite memory was receiving first place medalist honors at sectionals." Photo by Giolas

Nicole Frost (12)

"This was my second year playing golf. I decided to pick it up at the beginning of my junior year because I wanted to try something different." Photo by Giolas



Jamie Worst (10)

"I started playing golf in the summer because my parents said I had a good swing and I should stick with it. The thing I enjoyed the most was being able to meet new people and having so much fun with them." Photo by Giolas

Even Odds

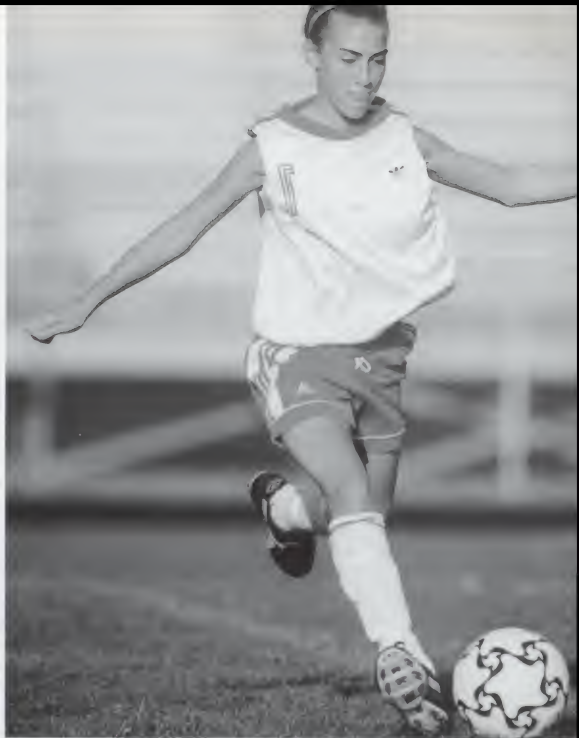
On the move

Setting up for the perfect kick, Mary Galouzis (9) sends a pass to right field in the game against Portage. Galouzis played center-mid position and had been playing soccer since she was 4 years old.

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In the nick of time

Lindsey Morfin (9) beats her opponents to the ball in a game against Merrillville. Morfin said her favorite game was against Andean because they are the team's biggest rival. Photo by Giolas



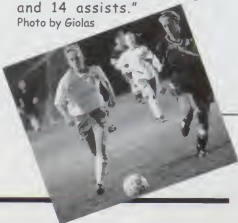
Kathy Kutanowski (12)

"I knew it was going to be a fun season, and I also had a lot of confidence in the returning players and incoming freshmen. We had a great team, and I think we all knew it going into the season." Photo by Giolas

Carly Link (11)

"I thought I had a direct kick, so I shot, scored, and then jumped on Shannon Morfin's back to celebrate the goal. Then the referee called an indirect kick and it didn't count. We felt really dumb. Overall, I had nine goals and 14 assists."

Photo by Giolas



Tara Menacher (10)

"My record for the varsity season was 5 goals and 3 assists. My favorite game was against Andean because there were 10 minutes left and I scored the winning goal. The score was 1-0." Photo by Giolas

Even Odds

unpredictably guaranteed

With a winning record for both the junior varsity and varsity girls' soccer teams, Coach Mike Malaski (English) reported that he was happy with his team. "I enjoyed coaching these girls," he said.

The varsity season started out with a big win against Highland, with a score of 4-1. The team won fifty percent of their next six games, and ran a mid-season winning streak defeating teams like Valparaiso, Merrillville, Michigan City and Bishop Noll.

Coach- Mike Malaski

J.V. Record- 9 - 3- 2

Varsity Record-
11- 5- 2

Conference Record-
2nd place

Post Season-
Sectional Finals

MVP- Mary Balmes (12)
Kathy Kutanouski (12)

Girls' Soccer

Liz Mowry (9), who played both J.V. and varsity, liked the Munster game. "We were down 0-2 at half time, and we came up 3-2. I scored the winning goal," she said. Coach Malaski thought the Valparaiso game was the best. He said, "We beat them for the first time with 36 seconds left."

When the season started Coach Malaski thought the varsity team had a good chance to compete for the sectional championship. In spite of their efforts, they did not gain the title. "My last game against Lake Central (sectional finals) was emotionally difficult because as the clock ticked down, I realized that we were probably not going to win, and that this would be my last game," said Rachel Peyovich (12).

The J.V. team also had some exciting moments. Jorie Arnold (9), a J.V. and varsity player, thought the Michigan City game was the best. "My favorite was Michigan City because I scored my first goal of the season. The ball bounced off my thigh and went in."

-Chase Overbeeke

Moving down field

New to the team and the town, Claudia Rhye (9) recovers the ball. She said one of the funniest thing that happened during the season was when a deer ran across the field during a practice. Photo by Giolas

Soccer runs mid-season winning streak



negative gain

Every once in a while a team needs to reevaluate their goals for the season. After a couple of losses, the team realized what sports were all about. It was apparent that winning was definitely not everything when asking the boys' soccer team what they thought of their season. "We played very well every game; we just could not score," said Cameron Reeves (10).

The team finished the year with a 2-15 record, but were not the least bit disheartened. Continual pranks and jokes kept the team in high spirits. Bryce Segert (12) enjoyed the antics of seniors Alex Bogeve and Adam Cofer in particular. "One time Bogeve and Cofer brought an inflatable referee punching bag to practice," said Segert.

Another reason for the high spirits despite all the losses was the basic love of the sport. "One of my favorite memories about the team was the unity and competition with my friends. We attacked together, and we defended together; if someone messed with the whole team or just one player, we had each other's backs," said the team goal keeper Adam Cofer (12).

The spirit of the team was summed up perfectly by first year coach, Jon Breitweiser. He said, "The thing I was most proud of was that no matter what the score, the boys never quit! Even when winning was out of sight, they played their hearts out!" —**Dan Motkowicz**

Head Coach- Jon Breitweiser

Assistant Coaches-

Ryan Collier,
Nick Sarnecki,
Tom Shoemaker

Captains-
Steve Dixon (12),
Josh Zacher (12)

Record- 2-14

Conference Record- 1-7

Boys' Varsity Soccer

Taking charge

One of the team captains, Steve Dixon (12), keeps the ball away from his Chesterton opponent. Dixon felt positive about the team's performance. He said, "We had a great season, even though our record did not show it." Photo by Gialas





Pulling out tricks

In an attempt to gain control of the ball, Justin Bell (10) takes over his Chesterton opponent during a home game. Bell was one of ten sophomores on the J.V. team. Photo by Giolas

Preventing a goal

Stopping an attempt by Lake Central, Adam Cofer (12) keeps the team in the game. "We may have lost many games, but we were not beaten easily," said Cofer. Photo by Giolas



Chris Seleski (11)

"I did not think that our record correctly described how well we did. The team had greatly improved and will do very well in the near future." Photo by Giolas

Branko Alavanja (10)

"I've played soccer for two years now and no matter what happened, we had fun together. Because of this, it was easy to get through the tough times of the season. At the end of the season we all got together at Hooters." Photo by Giolas



Josh Zacher (12)

"We made lots of friends on the soccer team and even though it was hard work, playing soccer was a lot of fun just goofing around with everybody. I think we really improved more than any other year and I wish I was coming back next year to play." Photo by Giolas

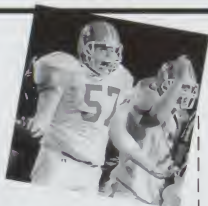
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Paving the way

Scrambling out of the pocket, Bret Govert (12) looks for running room to get a first down. "Scoring three touchdowns at the Michigan City game was one of my personal season highlights," said Govert. Photo by Giolas

Avoiding the block

On the fourth down, Chris Kutanovski (10) locks his eyes on the laces of the football preparing to punt the ball as Paul Schmidt (11) clears his way. Kutanovski usually played defensive back. Photo by Giolas



Matt Zaleski (11)

"We had a good season, even though it might not have showed it on the score board. Each of the players had a great time and tons of fun." (with Dustin Quering, 11) Photo by Giolas

Jeff Powers (12)

"Even though the season was really rough, we never gave up. Also, we never put our heads down....not even when it was hard to keep going. In the end, we all stuck it out together as a team." Photo by Giolas



Jason Roberts (12)

"In most situations a senior would not want to lead an 0-10 team, but I would lead this team anywhere. We were all a family; we trusted and relied on everyone." (with Brian Walter, 12 and the rest of the team) Photo by Giolas

Even Odds

successful losses

It was Friday night and as the team put on their gear, the boys realized that this was what they had practiced for. Putting on their game faces, upperclassmen encouraged the young team in the making. With many new varsity players the guys were aware of the challenges ahead of them.

The overall season was not a success, but it was what each player took away from the experience that kept them moving. "Even though we went 0-10 for the season, nine out of our ten opponents were state-ranked at some time during the season," said Coach Dave Egofske (physical education).

Boys' Varsity Football

Coach- Dave Egofske

Captains-

Bret Govert (12)

Jeff Powers (12)

Dan Knaga (12)

Chris

Damjanovic (12)

Record- 0-10

MVP- Dan Knaga (12),

Bret Govert (12)

During the Chesterton game, the team held the third ranked Trojans through three quarters, leading to their most impressive finish of the season. "At the Chesterton game, I recovered an on-side kick," said Nick Hoffman (10).

Being so young, the team's main goal was to gain skills and mature from week to week. "One of our goals was to improve each game, and I believe we did," said Kevin Wilkinson (12). Despite the difficult and disappointing season, players still learned valuable lessons. "I learned that you are not going to always be able to win," said Bret Govert (12).

Coaches believed it was the upperclassmen that kept the team together. "It was the seniors who I salute and respect for enduring such a tough campaign," said Coach Tony Bartolomeo (science). At the end of the season, seniors Bret Govert, Dan Knaga, and Jeff Powers were named as part of the Duneland All-Conference team. —**Jessica Koscielniak**

Listening In

As Coach Brian Tomson (history) talks to his defensive team, he goes over plays to execute during the Hobart game. Even though the team was young, they showed hope for the future. Photo by Jessica Koscielniak

Young team keeps faith despite losses

smooth closing

Freshmen football players learned what it was like to be team players. Being a team was what led the freshmen to a 2-7 record for their season. According to the team, success came when they learned good offensive, blocking and tackling skills. "I learned that when playing I had to give 100 percent because every bit counted toward the win," said John Abbate (9).

Even though the season was not as successful as they had hoped for, players on both offensive and defensive teams contributed to their two win season. "The team started out really rough. I did not think we were going to get through warm-ups. We pulled together after a few weeks and were able to win two games," said Corey Bush (9).

Junior varsity football had some successes and individual highlights during their season. "Although the season was long, we enjoyed hanging out during games and becoming close friends," said Ryan Allen (11). While gaining much needed experience, they led themselves to a 3-6 record. "Getting a touchdown pass for 65 yards was my season highlight," said Adam Miller (10).

Unlike previous years, many sophomores were able to play both junior varsity and varsity games. "I got to start J.V. and play some special teams (kick off) on varsity," said Jose Desiderio (10). Two freshmen, Matt Cowan and Aaron Miller both played J.V. and varsity. "I learned a lot from the season. Winning isn't everything," said Matt Cowan (9). - Jessica Koscielniak

J.V. Coach-
Ray Tarnow

J.V. Record- 3-6

Freshman Coach-
Scott Vlink

Freshman Record-
2-7

J.V./Freshman Football

Looking for the goal line

Troy Bush (10) runs down the field, making an attempt to score. "A special moment for me was running out onto the field in front of the crowd before each game. Just getting to play was a treat," said Bush. Photo by Gialas





Completing the pass

As he prepares to throw the ball, Matt Cowan (9) looks for an open teammate. "My season highlight was playing in my first game. Our goal was to just always play hard, and I thought we did that," said Cowan. Photo by Giolas

Helping hand

Tim Gramenz (11) gives words of encouragement to teammate Kevin Kasch (10) after a hard-fought play. Both played on the J.V. and varsity teams during the season. Photo by Giolas



Sean O'Drobinak (10)

"During the season I focused on kicking. Even though our stats did not really show it, we improved every game. We learned to never give up and to always try our hardest." (with Adam Miller, 10) Photo by Giolas

Nick Hoffman (10)

"During the season I got to play J.V. and Varsity. Practice was hard but I still had fun. I wish we could have done better. We matured more and started playing together at the end of the season." (with Ed Klingberg, 10, Paul Schmidt, 11, Troy Bush, 10) Photo by Giolas



Jason Thomas (9)

"Playing freshman football was a good experience. My season highlight was when I scored the winning touchdown in the fourth quarter to win the game for us." (with Joe Moskovich, 9) Photo by Giolas

Perfect poise

Trying to stay out of the net, Nicole Smoljan (10) goes up to lightly tap the ball over to the opposing Rensselaer Central team. Smoljan finished the season with 63 kills and 81% accuracy in spikes. Photo by Giolas

Going in for the kill

Sarah Zondor (12) goes up for a kill during a home game. Zondor had been a member of the varsity team since her freshman year and was named co-M.V.P. along with Ericka Nance (12). Photo by Giolas



Valarie Schweitzer (12)

"I thought we were all pretty rounded as a team. Not one person held the team. We expected everyone to play their hardest and they did." (with Sarah Zondor, 12)
Photo by Giolas

Ericka Nance (12)

"Volleyball was such a team sport. When one person on the team stepped up, we would all follow, and it just depended on the day as to who stepped up." Photo by Giolas



Nicole Smoljan (10)

"I thought that Ericka Nance (12) was one of the key players on our team. We depended on her for our hitting, and she was a great leader!" (with Ericka Nance, 12) Photo by Giolas

Even Odds

new and improved

Despite the difficulty of adjusting to a new coach, the Girls' Varsity Volleyball Team proved to be a well-rounded group with a winning season. Under the direction of Coach Greg Doane, the team concluded the season with a 17-11 record. "I thought Coach Doane made a difference in how we improved because he gave us the confidence we needed to win games," said Valarie Schweitzer (12).

The team first kicked off their season with a win over Hammond Noll, and as the season progressed, the team continued to improve. "The nice thing about this team was that we had a variety of players step up and help us to have a successful season," said

Coach Doane. The team then lost to Highland, but came back with wins from both East Chicago Central and Hanover Central. "We started communicating a lot more on the floor," said Schweitzer, "which helped us out."

As the season continued, the most memorable moment for the girls was when they competed at a tournament at South Bend LaSalle and came home with first place trophy. Ericka Nance (12) said, "The trophy only a reminder of that day, but the way we played as team was what made it so memorable."

For sectionals, the team drew a first round bye, and Lake Central for the second round. They lost in two games, but the team still felt they had finished positively. Sarah Zondor (12) said, "We had a lot of returning players and that helped. Towards the end of our season we played really well." **-Paul Fleming**

Varsity Volleyball

Coach- Greg Doane
Captains- Laura Warne (12), Valarie Schweitzer (12), Ericka Nance (12)
Record- 17-11
Conference Record- 1-6
Post Season- Sectional Semi-Finalist
MVP- Ericka Nance (12), Sarah Zondor (12)



Ready for the game

Warming up before the match against Rensselaer Central, Katelin Klepsch (11) throws the ball to her partner. Klepsch played in the back row as a defensive specialist and successfully completed 87% of her passes and 70% of her digs. Photo by Giolas

New coach requires adjustments

young experience

With first year Coach Erin Rhodes coaching the Girls J.V. Volleyball team, the girls ended the season with a 20-10 record. Team members reported that Rhodes advised them to always try their hardest; and when behind to get pumped up, come back, and try even harder.

Carrie Meyer (9), one of the six freshman on J.V. said, "Volleyball was fun because I learned a lot from the older girls on my team and from the varsity team. We practiced two or three times a week and had about two games per week." This helped the girls to beat a tough East Chicago Central team 15-2 and 15-3. Practicing almost everyday after school also helped the team to develop skills and work together. Jill Maynard (10) said, "I thought that at the end of the season we had all improved on working as a team."

The freshman team reported that they met many of their season goals as well. For example, Missy Burnett (9) thought the team began the season with some very specific objectives. She said, "Basically, some of our goals were to do really well with our games and to learn and improve our volleyball skills. We really got better throughout the season at serving and spiking."

While the team finished the season with a record of 8-8, most players felt they learned much. JoAnna Heneghan (9) said, "We all improved a lot, mostly on our offensive skills." Jennifer Albano, a first year coach, led the freshman team. **-Taryn Salmi**

Passing ahead

Jennifer Stremпка (9) attempts to tip the ball over the net. Stremпка stressed personal goals and said, "Some of my goals were to do my best and to try my hardest this season." Photo by Gialas

Coach- Erin Rhodes

Captains- Amy Zondor (10), Jill Maynard (10), Allison Isailovich (10)

Record- 20-10

Freshmen Coach- Jennifer Albano

Freshmen Captains- Amy Kennedy (9), JoAnna Heneghan (9), Kristen Reid (9), Missy Kiefer (9)

Record- 8-8





Digging low

Carrie Meyer (9) digs the ball for the return. Meyer, who was one of six freshmen on the junior varsity team, played as an outside hitter.

Photo by Giolas

Reaching high

Jumping for the block, Mary Kvachkoff (9) and Carrie Meyer (9) hit the ball over during a match against Portage. The team went on to lose in two games with scores of 11-15 and 11-15. Photo by Giolas



JoAnna Heneghan (9)

"Some of our goals as a team were to win as many games as we could, but also learn from what we did wrong. For me, my goal was to get moved up on J.V. and I did! That was the best." Photo by Giolas



Allison Kloss (9)

"Our first game was really fun. I was scared personally, but as a team we pulled through, had fun, and beat Bishop Noll. I will remember that game forever."

Photo by Giolas



Amy Kennedy (9)

"For me, my first game was very nerve racking. I was so intimidated, but once we started playing, my nerves eased and I had fun and just wanted to go out and give it my all."

Photo by Giolas

Even Odds

Reaching for the serve

Attempting to return the serve, Mike Ellch (12) jumps and reaches for the ball. Ellch finished off the year as one of the team captains and won the title of M.V.P. Photo by Giolas

Patiently waiting

During his first year on the junior varsity team, Nick Doffin (9) hits one just inside the line in a singles match against LaPorte. Doffin said, "I didn't do too well, but pain is temporary and pride is forever." Photo by Giolas



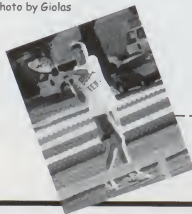
Matt Junkens (10)

"The best part of the season was the sectional finals when we were up 2-1 and the number one doubles team gave us the win 3-2. That became the deciding match." Photo by Giolas

Jeremiah Samples (9)

"I had only been playing tennis for three months. I started because my uncle said that I could be great at it if I practiced with him. My highlight of the season was making the sectionals team."

Photo by Giolas



Josh Rattray (11)

"I started playing tennis because I knew I could do it. Basically anytime that our team was together, something funny would always happen." Photo by Giolas

unexpected presumptions

Starting out with a four-match losing streak to Andrean, Lake Central, West Lafayette, and Highland, the boys' tennis team was not sure how well they were going to do throughout the rest of their season. However, after a slow start they came together for success later in the season.

The boys' regular season ended with a 6-9 overall record and a 3-4 record in the Duneland Athletic Conference. Coach Scott Reid said, "We finished much better in the conference than we felt we would. The boys worked hard during every match and showed some great improvement." This included wins over Chesterton and Portage.

Beginning sectionals, the boys had high hopes. The team defeated Calumet 5-0 in their first sectional game. This win took them to the sectional finals. The score was 2-2 overall while Mike Turner (11) and Josh Rattray (11) competed in the last doubles match. This would determine who would win the sectional championship. Rattray said, "Mike and I clinched the sectional title with a win at doubles." The boys won the sectional final against Griffith 3-2.

The team began regional play at the beginning of October. Their first game was against Hammond Gavit where they won 3-2, thanks to a win at number 2 singles by Shawn Kovacic. For the regional finals, the team was going to play Munster, one of their longtime rivals. In past years, Munster had always beaten them, so they were determined to end Munster's streak. Throughout the match, the boys tried their best but still lost 0-5. Munster finished third at the state finals. **-Ashley Mann**

Boys' Varsity Tennis

Coaches- Scott Reid,
Andy Sargent

Captains- Mike Ellich,
Shawn Kovacic

Record- 6-9

Conference- 3-4

Post Season-
Sectional Champs,
Regional Finalists

MVP- Mike Ellich (12)



Squinting to see

With the sun in his eyes, Shawn Kovacic (12) tries to return the ball to his LaPorte opponent. Kovacic played on the varsity team and was named as one of the team captains.

Photo by Giolas

Boys win 9th straight sectional title

qualified success

On a hot summer day, when most students preferred to lounge around a pool, the boys' Cross Country team was out in the hot sun, running a few miles. After weeks of practice they began their season in mid-August.

The boys started the season with a tough loss to Lake Central, but then went on to defeat Munster, Hanover Central, and Hammond Gavit at their home course, Lemon Lake County Park. Then the team beat Hobart in a conference meet. In the Duneland Athletic Conference meet, the team placed fifth and then prepared for sectionals. John Carroll (12) said, "I never went to state, so I wanted to go this season."

In the sectional meet, the team came up against long time rivals, Lowell and Merrillville, and defeated them for the first time in three years. John Carroll (12) finished first overall, which led the team to the sectional championship. Scott Qualizza (12) said, "My favorite memories came from the day we won sectionals. We were second the last two years to Merrillville and Lowell, so beating them felt good."

After the successful sectional run, the boys finished an almost disappointing second at regionals. Coach Keith Iddings (math) said, "Some of our boys were not happy with their times, but if we accepted that we were not going to win, then second was pretty good." After regionals, the team qualified for semi-state and finished at twelfth.

Tony Rivera (11) was named Most Valuable Runner and Andrew Wring (10) was named Most Improved Runner at a banquet which the team held at the end of the season. -Katie Reid

Coach-Keith Iddings

Record- 7-7

Conference Record-
2- 5

Post Season-
Sectional champs,
Regional runners-up
Semi- State- 12th

MVP-Tony Rivera (11)

Boys' Cross Country

Just around the bend

Kyle Knutson (11) and Nate Reilly (12) try to stay ahead of their opponents in the conference meet against LaPorte and New Prairie. Reilly began running cross country as a freshman and lettered all four years. Photo by Gialas





Finishing strong

To receive a good time, Scott Qualizza (12) strides confidently through the course. Qualizza said, "We have not won anything in the past four years, so it was nice to be a part of the winning sectional team." Photo by Giolas

Pushing ahead

Trying to create some space between him and his LaPorte opponent, Tom West (12) begins to pick up the pace. The team went on to lose to LaPorte with a score of 29-25 and West finished fifth among his teammates. Photo by Giolas



Andrew Wring (10)

"I enjoyed being a part of this team. We always had fun, whether we won or not. Winning Sectionals was very exciting, I loved winning the team championship." Photo by Giolas

Tony Rivera (11)

"Some highlights of this season were definitely winning sectionals, but being named Most Valuable Runner was something I will always remember." Photo by Giolas



John Carroll (12)

"I kept training even when I was away from the sport and I came back this season much faster. I wanted to run when I came back, and that gave me added motivation." Photo by Giolas

With determination

At Lemon Lake, Jen Dienes (12) strides through the wooded course in a meet against Portage, LaPorte, and New Prairie. Jen finished the course in 19:29. The team took 13th at the invitational. Photo by Giolas

Pushing herself to the end

Trying to catch her breath, Diane Cervantes (9), finishes a meet against Portage. Cervantes' goal was to break 20:00 and she did so at the New Prairie Invitational. Photo by Giolas



Erin Buchelt (9)

"One of my goals for the season was to win a trophy at the Rebel Invite and I did. They gave trophies for the top 20 runners and I received a 19th place. I was really happy about that." Photo by Giolas

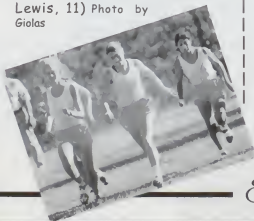
Sarah Myers (11)

"Cross country was harder because it took a lot more dedication than most sports did, and this was a sport that took a lot of work mentally as well as physically. We spent so much time together so we were all pretty close and had a ton of fun." (with Diane Cervantes, 9, and Liz Lewis, 11) Photo by Giolas



Shenna Sum (11)

"Cross Country was fun; I wished that I could have run the whole season. I could not run as much because of an injury early in the season, so instead I went to all of the meets to support my team." (with Jen Dienes, 12) Photo by Giolas



Even Odds

short distance

Bright pink uniforms, ponytails and big smiles proved to be just a facade for the strength, endurance, and will power of the Girls' Cross Country team.

Beginning their season, the girls conditioned three days a week. Their routine eventually increased to six practices a week with a minimum of five miles a day. An intense week long camp, conditioning and practices helped prepare them for their many meets to come. "It took so much dedication, and sometimes we had to give up some of the things we wanted to do so we could go to practice, or sometimes we were just too tired," said Sarah Myers (11).

The girls opened their season at Lemon Lake against two of their biggest rivals, Lake

Coach- Kelly York

Captains- Sarah Myers
(11), Jen Dienes (12)

Record- 6-10

Conference Record- 5th

Post Season- 2nd
Sectionals, 6th
Regionals

MVP- Heather Griffis (9)

Girls' Cross Country

Central and Munster. The team finished in second place to Lake Central. "Every meet has a highlight because every meet had a personal record," said Coach Kelly York.

Bringing home a second at sectionals and sixth at regionals, the girls pulled off a sound year. With high goals, Liz Lewis (11) said, "We hoped we would repeat as sectional champs. All teams have an off year. This was just our off year."

The key runners Heather Griffis, Sarah Vickers, Sarah Myers, and Erin Buchelt did not give their opponents a chance to let up. Heather Griffis (9), semi state qualifier, said, "You have to push yourself to the limit everyday and every race."

The girls ended their season with positive attitudes. Sara Sendejas (10) said, "The best part of being on the team was the friends I had made and goals I had achieved. There was no bad part this season. I enjoyed every minute." **-Melissa Kallay**

Happy to finish

Caroline Dienes (9) smiles away the pains and shortness of breath after a race against New Prairie. Dienes finished the race in 21:06. However, her best race of the season occurred at the Rensselaer Invitational. Photo by Giolas

Girls take 2nd at sectionals





Girls' Golf

Front row: Meredith Swan, Melissa Mariola, Kelley Thorsen, Jessica Koscielniak, Nicole Frost, Jenny Boris **Second row:** Jessica Ohlenkamp, Kristen Grompone, Coach Angie Smith, Julie Steinberg, Jamie Worst, Amber Jansson

Girls' Soccer

Front row: Lisa O'Rourke, Shannon Morfin, Carly Link, Kelli Hein, Kara Gora, Carolyn Simko, Megan Vega
Second row: Joell Dixon, Amanda Reader, Autumn Sipkema, Rachel Peyovich, Nikki Aubuchon, Nicole Nowaczyk, Jorie Arnold, Mary Galouzis **Third row:** Kelly Davis, Ashley Wilson, Stephanie Black, Coach Kelly Nelson, Coach Mike Malaski, Coach Mark Nelson, Laura Buchelt, Lindsey Morfin, Kathy Kutanovski
Fourth row: Heather Dallman, Melissa Cooper, Dawn Cozart, Liz Mowry, Claudia Rhye, Alanna Schmelter, Lauren Kocher, Stefanie Jovanoski **Last row:** Tara Menacher, Wendy Ellingsen, Mary Balmes, Alex Webster, Teresa Kaminski, Laura Maurer, Shanna Schmelter



Boys' Soccer

Front row: Adam Cofer, Andreas Pergher, Chris Hovanec, Mike Dlugokinski, Dan Smith, Brent Brown, Matt Kellett **Second row:** Peter Andre, Bryce Segert, Nick Camp, Bryan Buchelt, Matt Pasyk, Matt Trybula, Josh Damjanovic, Tom Sarnecki, Alex Boge **Third row:** Brian Hiller, Josh Zacher, Coach Nick Sarnecki, Coach Jon Breitweiser, Coach Tom Shoemaker, Coach Ryan Collier, Sarah Roth, Steven Dixon **Fourth row:** Danny Quiroz, Kevin McFadden, John Nance, Grant Springman, Brett Barker, Justin Bell, Jake Ewing **Last row:** Ben Landis, Ryan Moline, Robert Slepcevic, Chris Thomas, Branko Alavanja, Jimmy Orchowski, Cameron Reeves, Alonso Arambula **Not Pictured:** Managers Melissa Mariola, Jessica Koscielniak

girls' golf

Kankakee Valley 185-207
 Wheeler 185-264
 Munster 196-219
 Lake Central 181-191
 Hanover Central 206-256
 Andean 169-199
 Portage 196-237
 Merrillville 189-226
 Hobart 187-302
 Lowell 185-219
 LaPorte 191-182
 Chesterton 183-228
 Valparaiso 190-184
 Michigan City 217-200
 Sectional Champs 352
 Regionals 4th place

girls' soccer

Highland 4-1
 Portage 2-3
 Andean 3-0
 West Lafayette 3-3
 LaPorte 4-1
 Chesterton 0-2
 Valparaiso 3-2
 Griffith 2-1
 Merrillville 4-2
 Michigan City 7-0
 Hammond Noll 4-0
 Lake Central 2-6
 Evansville Castle 1-1
 Evansville Memorial 0-1
 Hobart 5-0
 Munster 3-2
 Merrillville-Sectionals 3-1
 Lake Central-Sectional Finals 0-2

boys' soccer

Lowell 0-1
 Hammond Noll 1-5
 Boone Grove Forfeit 1-3
 Morton 1-3
 Portage 0-8
 Chesterton 0-2
 West Lafayette 0-1
 LaPorte 0-3
 Valparaiso 0-6
 Lafayette Jeff. 0-7
 Michigan City 2-0
 Munster 0-6
 Highland 1-8
 Lake Central 0-7
 Merrillville 0-13
 Hobart 1-5



Varsity/J.V. Football

Front row: Ryan Wilkinson, Matt Beilfuss, Kevin Sendre, Kelly Miller, Ryan Allen, Steve McCalley, Brod Wilson, Tim Gramenz, Bob Bees, Ryan Orzechowicz, Kevin Kasch **Second row:** Rob Bruna, Eric Gullbranson, Chris Kwilas, Keith Williams, Mark Vlink, Ryan Zervos, Adam Miller, Chris Sprehe, Dale Packard, Pat Mundt, Brian Stokoski, Eric Schultz, Brian Walter **Third row:** Tara Wietbrock, Julie Gettler, Amanda Schaller, Rob Kazel, Dan Smith, Bret Goyert, Jason Roberts, Conrad Harris, Brian Pante, Joe Gettler, Desso Rattray **Fourth row:** Michael Parris, Dan Knago, Bobby Rutherford, Doug Canley, Dustin Quening, Tony Schoeffel, Paul Schmidt, Sean O'Drabinak, Jon Kratoch, David Vlink, Steve Etter **Fifth row:** Nick Hoffman, Ben Santog, Troy Bush, Chris Kutanowski, Mark Baumgardner, Carey Peterson, Craig Lozonovski, Sam Downs, Bill Schmidt, Jose Desiderio **Last row:** Ed Klingberg, Matt Zoleski, Matt Tanczek, Chris Donyanovic, Josh Zocher, Jeff Powers, Kelly Fricks, Dale Wagner, Aaron Miller **Not Pictured:** Kevin Wilkinson, Chris Bush, Adam Isolovich, Scott Kaiser, Matt Cowan, Joe Raczek

Freshman Football

Front row: Josh Easto, Matt Budde, Eric Lowe, Elliott Handley, Leslie Darlin **Second row:** Andrew Thompson, Greg Meyers, George Godinez, George Homer, Alex Derks, Caleb Rice, Dan Cox **Third row:** Mike Derrickson, Bryan Reed, Andrew Eriks, James Fastero, Jacob Sessum, Jordan Struebig, Aaron Gardiner, Adam Spurlock **Fourth row:** John Abbate, Mike Pavlovick, Mark Calhoun, Erik Kern, Jim Sanders, Chris Esala, Matt Cowan **Fifth row:** Tom Ponziano, Joe Moshovich, Keith Dahlgren, Doug Ricard, Terry Holder, Mark McEnerney, Tim Brehmer, Jason Aubuchan **Last row:** Nate Ballas, Jason Thomas, Adam Hilliard, Aaron Miller, Dave Swenson, John Bizanes, Corey Bush **Not Pictured:** Aaron Smith, Ryan Snyder, Lee Kidd, Mike Stewart, Rick Plank



Boys' Tennis

Front row: Andrew Sager, Nick Box, Dan Ellch, Mark Lemke, Nick Doffin **Second row:** Steven Andreoli, Matt Wise, Matt Junkins, Mike Salazar, Ryan Highsmith, Matt Reilly **Last row:** Mike Elch, Josh Rattray, Bryan Cuculich, Mike Turner, Sean Kovacic, Patrick Spohr **Not Pictured:** Ben Korzeniewski, Jeremiah Samples

varsity football

Lowell 14-20
East Chicago Central 35-17
Merrillville 10-21
Hobart 30-42
Portage 10-42

Valparaiso 14-35
LaPorte 9-14
Chesterton 14-28
Michigan City 21-45
Valpo. Sectionals 0-30

freshman football

Lowell 6-12
East Chicago Central 49-0
Merrillville 14-6
Hobart 14-23
Portage 28-0

Valparaiso 14-21
LaPorte 7-35
Chesterton 14-21
Michigan City 7-21

boys' tennis

Andean 0-5
Lake Central 1-4
West Lafayette 0-5
Highland 0-5
Hobart 5-0
Merrillville 0-5
Portage 4-1
Chesterton 3-2
Valparaiso 0-5

East Chicago Central 5-0
LaPorte 1-4
Michigan City 2-3
Lowell 3-2
Kankakee Valley 2-3
Calumet-Sectionals 5-0
Griffith-Sectional Final 3-2
Hammond Gavitt-Regionals 3-2
Munster-Regional Final 0-5



Varsity Volleyball

Front row: Ashley Plumley, Katelin Klepsch **Second row:** Valarie Schweitzer, Courtney Sertich, Laura Warne **Third row:** La'Kea Harvey, Sarah Zondor, Ericka Nance, Katie Reid, Janel Heneghan **Last row:** Kelly Bielak, Coach Greg Doane, Bethany Ketcher, Coach Erin Rhodes, Nicole Smoljan

J.V. Volleyball

Front row: Stephanie Sandilla (kneeling), Keri Cuculich (sitting), Ashley Amodeo (kneeling) **Second row:** Jill Maynard, Charlsie Martinez, Allison Isailovich, Mary Kvachkoff, Carrie Meyer **Last row:** Amy Zondor, Bethany Ketcher, Coach Erin Rhodes, Blayne Reeves



Freshman Volleyball

Front row: Amy Kennedy, Jennifer Strempka **Second row:** Melissa Burnett, Jennifer Boardman, Kristen Reid, Daryl Packard **Third row:** Sara Diekelmann, Emily Ketcher, Rebecca Schiesser, Emily Monacelli, JoAnna Heneghan, Allison Kloss, Brittney Pritchard **Last row:** Melissa Kiefer, Bethany Ketcher, Coach Jennifer Albano, Anne Sheppard

varsity volleyball

Hammond Noll 2-0	Kankakee Valley 1-2
Highland 0-2	Portage 0-2
E.C. Central 2-0	South Bend Adams 2-0
Hanover Central 2-0	New Prairie 2-1
Lake Central 0-2	South Bend Riley 2-1
Lafayette Central Cath. 2-0	Fairfield 2-0
Hammond Clark 2-0	Griffith 2-0
Benton Central 2-0	Merrillville 1-2
Rensselaer Central 2-1	LaPorte 1-2
Valparaiso 0-2	Hobart 2-1
Lowell 1-2	Kouts 2-0
Calumet 2-0	Munster 2-0
Michigan City 0-2	Chesterton 0-2
Andrean 2-0	Lake Central-Sectionals 0-2

j.v. volleyball

Hammond Noll 2-0	Calumet 2-0
Highland 1-2	Michigan City 0-2
Lafayette Jeff. 1-2	Andrean 2-1
McCUTCHEON 2-1	Kankakee Valley 2-1
Elkhart 2-0	Portage 2-1
Homestead 2-1	Griffith 2-0
E.C. Central 2-0	Merrillville 2-0
Hanover Central 2-0	Valparaiso 0-2
Lake Central 0-2	Chesterton 2-0
Chesterton 2-1	LaPorte 0-2
Portage 0-2	Hobart 2-0
Valparaiso 0-2	Kouts 2-0
Rensselaer Central 2-0	Munster 0-2
Lowell 2-1	Chesterton 2-1

freshman volleyball

Hammond Noll -Win	Highland -Loss
Portage -Win	Lowell -Loss
Valparaiso -Loss	Andrean -Win
Merrillville -Loss	Mich. City Tourney -4th place
Rensselaer Central -Loss	Merrillville -Loss
Hebron -Win	Lake Central -Loss
Lowell -Loss	Munster -Win
Michigan City -Win	LaPorte -Loss
Chesterton -Win	Valparaiso Tourney 5th

*scores not recorded



Boys' Cross Country

Front row: Danny Mellis, Sean Crinion, Brian Wheeler, Wesley Dykstra, Joe Cervantes, Sean McDaniel **Second row:** Joel Cook, Dave Stantelik, Andrew Wring, John Carroll, Kyle Knutson, Luke Bapple, Aaron Reimer, Donny Grubbe **Last row:** Coach Lafey Armontrout, Kevin Klein, Tony Rivera, Justin Stadt, Scott Qualizza, Nate Reilly, Coach Keith Iddings **Not Pictured:** Tom West, Steve Hamilton, Eric Akey

Girls' Cross Country

Front row: Sheena Sum, Sara Sendejas, Diane Cervantes **Second row:** Carolyn Dienes, Erin Buchelt, Coach Dana Bell, Sarah Myers, Coach Kelly York, Katie Logreco, Heather Griffis, Liz Lewis **Last row:** Sara Vickers, Jen Dienes



Hockey

Front row: Kevin Laduke, Pat Meyer, Chris Farley, Brandon Skopelja, Brian Walter, Zack Hill **Second row:** Todd Plewa, Ryan Roccaforte, Kathy Yokovich, Matt Kavalunas, Adam Zimmerman, Mike Roccaforte **Last row:** Coach Jim Watson, Tim Gunn, Eric Lakich, Billy Condon, Greg Holliday, Bob Cummings, Chip Walter, Tim Grossenheider, Chase Overbeeke, Jason Gondek **Not Pictured:** Mike Elch

boys' cross country

Lake Central 54-16
Munster 54-57
Warren C. Hokum K. 10th
Munster 26-35
Hanover Central 26-74
Gavit 26-116
T.F. South Inv. 4th
Michigan City 17-46
Rensselaer Inv. 3rd, 6th,
7th
LaPorte 29-25

New Prairie 28-27
Portage 28-17
New Prairie Inv. 11th, 19th
Hobart 25-36
Culver Inv. 15th, 16th
Merrillville 32-24
Chesterton 49-15
Jefferson Bronco Inv. 2nd,
3rd
Sectional 1st place
Semi-State 12th

girls' cross country

Lake Central/Munster 1-1
Warren Central Invite 4th
Munster/Gavit/Hanover
Central/Lowell 3-3
Rebel Invite 7th
Michigan City/Valpo. 3-5
Rensselaer Invite 2nd
Portage/LaPorte/North
Prairie 4-7

New Prairie Invite 13th
Hobart 5-7
Culver Invite 14th
Merrillville/Chest. 5-9
D.A.C. 5th
Sectionals 2nd
Regionals 6th
Semistate 45th

hockey

T.F. South 6-2
Highland 7-3
T.F. South 4-5
Munster 3-3
Bishop Noll 2-6
Lake Central 1-4
Marian 1-0
T.F. South 2-2
Bishop Noll 6-4
Clay 2-5
New Haven 2-7
Highland 3-4
Providence 4-5

Munster 0-6
Clay 1-3
Bishop Noll 6-2
Bishop Noll 5-2
Munster 0-7
Lake Central 1-4
Homestead 1-6
Highland 1-2
Bishop Noll 1-2
State-Northside 4-4
South Bend Riley 3-6
Portage 3-3

enjoyable

Team effort, dedication pays off as team finishes strong

struggles

Practice, practice, practice. That was the key part of the girls' swimming and diving teams. Liz Lewis (11) said, "Practices would start at 5:30 or 6:00 in the morning before school and after school until 5:30." They were held twice a day with two to three meets during

the school weeks. Dana Hernick (11) said, "The most challenging thing about swimming was having the mental ability to go on. Sometimes the hardest thing was waking up and pushing through the pain of two more practices." Though all of the hard work could be draining at times, it proved to be beneficial.

The swim team placed third in the conference championship with a total of six wins, and an overall six wins in the Duneland Conference. In all, five swimmers and divers qualified for state. Jessica Frank (12) broke the school record, finishing the 100 backstroke in under a minute.

After pushing themselves during practices and at meets, the girls took the time to spread their spirit with the school on meet days. Kari Durachta (11) said, "The most fun aspect of being in swimming was when we got to dress up for the meets and also

when we made team t-shirts."

Although mentally and physically challenging, swimming and diving gave the girls a chance to form lasting friendships with teammates. Team co-captain Jessica Frank (12) said, "Swimming was a very time consuming sport. To make time for school, friends, and family was very hard. It helped that my closest friends were on the team with me, though." **-Danielle Schott**

Perfect Arch

Preparing for the plunge into the water, Joell Dixon (10) closes her eyes, holds her breath, and arches her back for her dive. This was Dixon's first year on the diving team. Photo by Gialas



Coach- Doug Norris

Captains- Jessica Frank (12) and Ericka Nance (12)

Record-9-2

Conference Record-6-1

Post Season- 2nd in sectionals

M.V.P.- Jessica Frank (12)



Swift Strokes

Varsity swimmer Kari Durachta (11), concentrates on her strokes as she swims down the lane during a home meet. Durachta lettered in swimming two years. Photo by Giolas

Ashley Angelini (11)

"The best part of diving was everyone coming together as a team and having fun. I thought that the hardest part was overcoming mental setbacks." Photo by Giolas



Even Odds

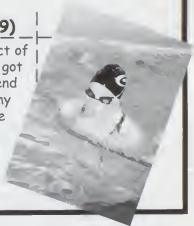
Stephanie Tithof (12)

"The best thing about diving was the people that I became friends with, and our sectional lunches. Staying mentally tough was the most challenging aspect. Diving took up a lot of time, but it was well worth it." Photo by Giolas



Carolyn Dienes (9)

"The most fun aspect of swimming was that I got to see my best friend who was in none of my classes. I also made many new friends and will have them for the next three seasons." Photo by Giolas



Quick Start

Katie Bieker (12) stares straight ahead as she pushes off the starting block into the water. Bieker swam as part of the relay team. Photo by Giolas

Broken Records

Paul Schmidt (11) reaches back while swimming the 100-yard backstroke. Schmidt broke the pool and conference record, won sectionals, and placed 4th at state. Photo by Giolas



Sean Cash (10)

"With practices early in the morning and after school, it was really hard work throughout the entire season. Everyone on the team made it fun despite the work."

Photo by Giolas



Even Odds

Philip Schicker (12)

"I really enjoyed diving because the whole atmosphere of the team was great. Practice was always fun, especially because Ryan Orzechowiz (11) really helped me out and made it fun."

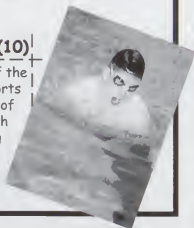
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Grant Springman (10)

"Swimming was one of the most challenging sports to be in. It was a lot of hard work with practice in morning and afternoon, but it was always fun."

Photo by Giolas



No time to waste

Next to teammate Paul Schmidt (11) and an opponent, Bill Schmidt (12) anxiously awaits his time to appear on the board. Schmidt swam both the 100 breast stroke and the medley and free relays at state. Photo by Giolas



individual

Hard work wins individual honors, team 18th place at state

teamwork

Some people found it hard to rise early enough to be at school at 7:25, but the swim team had to get up early enough to be at morning practice, which started at 5:15. Then, after school it was back in the water for their second practice. Double practices five days a week was strenuous and hard on the body. "It took dedication, but the boys remained focused especially due to their captain, Bill Schmidt (12)," said Coach Doug Norris (physical education).

Through their long season, the team had many high points. The Portage meet, which had always been a challenge for them, ended as an important meet. "The word was out that they had already beat us and we ended up winning by 6 points," said Coach Norris. One team goal was to finished better in DAC conference meet. Coming into the meet, they were seated 1 point out of second place and managed to take out a 26-point lead, a 2nd place victory. "After the Conference and the Portage meet we threw Coach Norris in the pool," said Marc Bonich (10).

At State, Paul Schmidt (11) finished 4th in the 100-meter backstroke and 17th in the 100-meter freestyle. Along side was

Boys' Swimming

Coach- Doug Norris,
Mark Butcher

Captains- Bill Schmidt
(12)

Record- 9-3

Conference Record-
6-1

MVP- Paul Schmidt (11)
and Ryan
Orzechowicz (11)

his brother, who swam the 100-meter breaststroke. The 200-meter medley relay and 200-meter freestyle relay, consisting of Bill Schmidt (12), Chris Anderson (10), Brian Wheeler (10), and Paul Schmidt (11), took 11th and 12th respectively.

Philip Schicker (12), a first time diver, placed 11th at sectionals. Ryan Orzechowicz (11) went on to win sectionals and placed 12th in the state. "My only goal was to finish better in state than the year before and I did," said Orzechowicz. **-Jessica Koscielniak**

Diving perfection

While doing a front double pike, Ryan Orzechowicz (11) pulls his leg close to his chest. Orzechowicz's favorite dive was a one and a half with two twists. Photo by Golas



among

Team earns Duneland and Conference, sectional titles

the first

Since the beginning of their season in mid-October, the girls' varsity basketball team constantly focused on their goals of winning their holiday tournament, the Duneland Athletic Conference and sectionals. At the season's end in February, they had accomplished all three of their goals.

Coach- Tom May**Captains-** Alex Webster (11), Sarah Zondor (12)**Record-** 20-4**Conference Record-** 7-0**Post Season-** Sectional Champions**MVP-** Sarah Zondor (12)

The season began with a six-game winning streak, and a ranking in the top ten in the state-wide coaches' poll, which they maintained throughout the season. The team suffered their first loss to first-ranked Highland. They then went on a nine-game winning streak and secured the Duneland Athletic Conference title by ending undefeated in that conference. Nikki Borys (12) said, "One of the best games of the season was when we beat Valparaiso. After we won, we knew we had the DAC title."

As sectionals approached, the team prepared to play Hobart. After defeating them, they played Lake Central in the semifinals. The team then moved on to beat Merrillville for the sectional title. Amy Zondor (10) said, "Sectionals were great. I have always dreamt of cutting down the net since I was small."

The team then faced rival Highland again to vie for the regional championship. Though they fell short of the regional title, the team walked away from the game with fond memories. Carissa Triplett (11) said, "Just walking into Highland's gym and seeing the huge crowd there for us was my favorite memory of the season. I think I will always remember that." **-Katie Reid**

Making a move

La'Kea Harvey (12) glances towards the basket as Alex Webster (11) and Janel Heneghan (11) back her up. Defeating Merrillville 65-42 sealed the Sectional Championship for the team. Photo by Giolas





On a mission

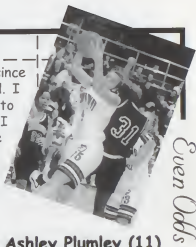
Making her way to the basket, Sarah Zondor (12) passes her opponent. Zondor was the team's top scorer and rebounder and was named M.V.P.

Photo by Giolas

Nikki Borys (12)

"I have been playing since I was six years old. I enjoyed being able to do something that I loved and being able to do this with people that I was very close to."

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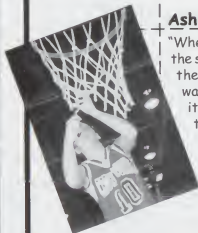


Even Odds

Ashley Plumley (11)

"When I hit a three during the sectional game, I heard the crowd cheer, but it was not a regular cheer; it was a roar. I knew they were cheering for me, and it gave me a great feeling that I was a big part of the team."

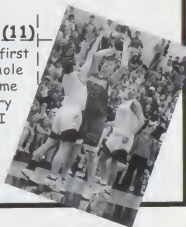
Photo by Katie Reid



Carissa Triplett (11)

"Since this was my first year here, the whole season was new to me and going into every game seemed fun. I loved to play because of the crowd and my love for the game."

Photo by Giolas



Looking to score

Cutting through the lane, Janel Heneghan (11) attempts to pass a Highland opponent. Heneghan said, "Even though we did not win Regionals, playing in that atmosphere was incredible."

Photo by Giolas



Breaking free

To pass the ball to her teammate, Mallory Michaels (9) attempts to gain space from her Highland opponent. The team went on to win with a score of 38-10. Photo by Golas

Mary Kvachkoff (9)

"Playing basketball was very fun. We had a great coach and a great team. I improved a lot and I also had a great time. Our team pulled together and we had great team work." Photo by Golas



Even Odds

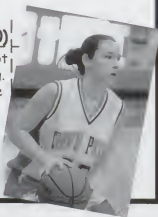
Lauren Rhodes (10)

"I enjoyed everything from the great, loving teammates and coaches, to the rush of excitement on the floor. I enjoyed being able to forget a bad day by concentrating on something I loved." Photo by Golas



Kathleen Fredericks (10)

"The first game that I got to start was very exciting. The friends that I made and the way that I felt when I had helped my team win was the best part of being on the team." Photo by Golas



Proving a point

Midway through the Highland game, Chrissy Hodorowicz (11) discusses her position with Coach Mike Malaski (English). Hodorowicz played on both varsity and J.V. Photo by Golas

Photo by Golas



standard

Teams improve, gain experience while freshmen finish undefeated

deviation

Beginning their seasons in mid-October, with six practices a week, and an average of two games a week, the junior varsity and freshman girls' basketball teams valued improvement over a winning record. J.V. coach, Mike Malaski (English) said, "Our team goal was to improve the players enough to have them play varsity, and seven players from my team moved up." The freshman team also worked on improvement under first year coach, Brian McClanahan.

The J.V. team started their season with a win against Hebron, but suffered losses to Andrean and Munster. However, they recouped with a five-game winning streak, beating long time rival, Highland. Danielle Brueck (10) said, "I thought that the highlight of the season was beating Highland. I hated losing to them, and it was always a good game. We just pulled together as a team and won."

Although important, the teams tried not to focus on wins and losses, but on what they enjoyed about playing. Sarah Myers (11) said, "I just wanted to improve and have fun. I loved just coming to a game and having our locker room decorated and the bus

decorated. It really pumped you up before a game."

The freshman team worked on fundamentals to help the team improve and ended the season undefeated. Coach McClanahan said, "The overall goal at the freshman level was for the girls to learn and gain playing experience. Going undefeated was not a goal, but a credit to the girls and their hard work." **-Katie Reid**

Girls' JV/Freshman Basketball

J.V. Coach-Mike Malaski

Captains-Emily Tromp (11), Sarah Myers (11)

Record- 11-9

Conference Record- 6-1

Freshman Coach-Brian McClanahan

Record- 17-0



From the line

Blayne Reeves (9) concentrates as she prepares to shoot a free-throw. Reeves ended the season as the free-throw leader with 57.7% accuracy. Photo by Giolas

--real

Eight game winning streak broken in Sectionals

-----potential

Even though the boys' basketball season started out with a comfortable 55-42 win against Hammond Gavit, the momentum did not last the entire season. However, the players shared one common aspiration, to make it to the Regional game. Rick Oliver (11) said, "Our main goal was to end with a winning record, which we did, and to win Sectionals."

Coach- Tom JohnsonCaptains- T.J. Pruzin (12), Bret Govert (12)Record- 15-7Conference- 4- 3Post Season- Sectional SemifinalistsMVP- T.J. Pruzin (12), Bret Govert (12), and Bryan Cuculich (12)

Highland and South Bend Adams proved to be no problem in the early season, but the team started a downward spiral at the Lake Central game. The team lost to the Indians and only won five of their next ten games. Josh Goeringer (11) said, "The Valpo game was hard because we were up at the half by 12 points and ended up losing the game."

The boys' luck seemed to change however, when they upset an experienced LaPorte team. Individual performances contributed to the eight-game winning streak, which was the highlight of the season. "The LaPorte game was the most difficult since I guarded Nick Otis, who was an Indiana All-Star Nominee," said Bret Govert (12). Dale Packard (11) said, "My most memorable game was when we played Calumet. I made a shot that sent the game into overtime play; we

then won the game 74-70."

The team was feared for their outside shooters, but as the season progressed, they found their inside game as well. The team finished with a 15-7 record, but fell to Merrillville in the Sectional championship game. Packard added, "The sectional championship was a difficult game because it was hard seeing all of the seniors disappointed." **-Katelin Klepsch**

Pre-game huddle

The varsity team huddles at center court before the game against Lake Central. The team traditionally huddled for a spirited cheer before the tip off.

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Facing pressure

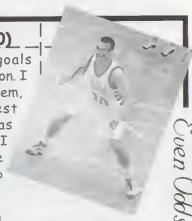
T.J. Pruzin (12) attempts a shot, while being double teamed. Pruzin was named MVP along with Bret Govert (12) and Bryan Cuculich (12) at the awards banquet.

Photo by Giolas

Brian Sparks (10)

"I had many goals throughout the season. I achieved many of them, but my biggest achievement was definitely when I dunked in the game against Lowell." Photo

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Even Odds



Bret Govert (12)

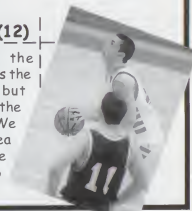
"Considering we only had three seniors, I thought that we all held the team together well. Especially when we were up against a tough opponent, the team captains were looked to for leadership." Photo

by Giolas

Bryan Cuculich (12)

"Playing against the Chesterton team was the most difficult, but playing Portage was the most memorable. We showed other area teams of what we were capable." Photo

by Giolas



Double teamed

Defending against his opponent, Chad Pruzin (10) and brother T.J. (12) block the lane. "My most memorable game was against Laporte. I hit a last second shot to tie the game," said Chad.

Photo by Giolas

Waiting to board

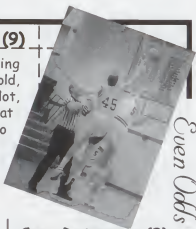
Preparing to take the rebound in the Lake Central game, Craig Lozanovski (10) waits to take the ball out. Lozanovski played on both the J.V. and the varsity teams. Photo by Giolas



Sean Highsmith (9)

"I have been playing since I was 8 years old, I liked basketball a lot, and I just had a great fascination with it, so I always wanted to play in high school."

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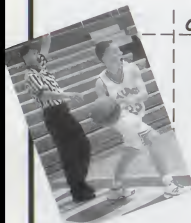
Even Odds

Cory Detamore (9)

"Going into the season, I just wanted to do my best in every game and at every practice, and whatever the outcome was I would be happy with it, as long as I knew I did all I could."

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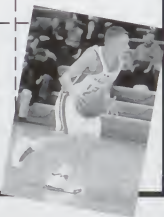
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Jeff Kurth (11)

"In basketball, what I enjoyed the most was the competition. I loved going in to the games ready to play and beat the other team. I also loved to pass and to be able to create new moves."

Photo by Giolas



Fast break

To get the ball up the floor, Adam Vetter (10) gains distance from his opponent. Vetter moved up from J.V. to the varsity level for Sectionals.

Photo by Giolas



youthful

Young teams learn teamwork, gain experience through games

wisdom

With the addition of first-year freshman coach Brian Tomson (social studies), and returning J.V. coach Greg Doane, the boys' younger basketball teams brought in 16 total wins for the season. Although neither of the teams placed at the top in the Duneland Conference rankings, they met several of their preset goals. "Playing on the J.V. team gave us the opportunity to learn the needed skills for playing at the varsity level, gain experience so that when we moved up to varsity we would be ready, and help the team," said Josh Rattray (11).

Beginning their season with a 54-39 win over Gavit, the junior varsity team prepared for a season of wins. After close losses to Highland and Lake Central, and a one-point loss to South Bend Adams, the team defeated East Chicago Central, Portage and Hobart. However, luck was not on their side as they then lost seven games in a row. Coach Greg Doane said, "All of our losses were tough, close games; these guys never gave up." The boys proved their tenacity in the last game defeating Calumet 64-44.

The freshman team finished the season with a record of 9-11.

Boys' JV/Freshman Basketball

J.V. Coach-Greg Doane

Record- 7-13

Conference record-2-7

Freshman Coach-Brian Tomson

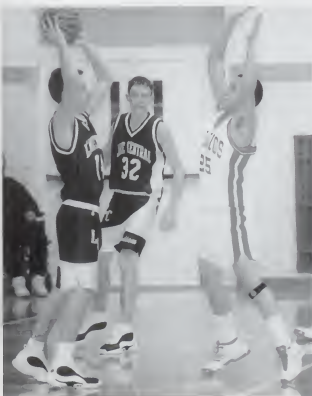
Record-9-11

Conference record-4-5

Despite a mid-season, four-game losing streak, the team focused on the positive aspects. Sean Highsmith (9) said, "A good highlight was the Munster game. We were down by about twenty at the half, and in the second half we came back and almost won it. We lost by five, but it was a good comeback." The team then ended the season with a three game winning streak, beating Boone Grove, Kankakee Valley and Highland. **-Katie Reid**

Denying the pass

As Lake Central tries to start their offense, Mike Harris (10) pressures the ball. After a long, hard struggle, the team lost the game 44-48. Photo by Gialas



friendly

Team brings home victories from around the country

competitor

Starting in May and ending in April, the long hours of practice paid off for the dance team as they reached new heights when they advanced to national competition. Being a part of the dance team meant many responsibilities.

Coaches- Deb Ciocchina, Amity McKiddy, and Suzanne Stuewe

Captains- Lindsey Ciocchina (12) and Lauren Hostinsky (12)

Competitions-
1st - Indianapolis
1st - Illinois State
1st - Munster
28th - Nationals

Kelly Underwood (10) said, "I would not say it interfered with my school work or social life, but it did take time away from hanging out with friends, and I had to do my homework in study hall."

Although it was very time consuming, being a member had its benefits. Jamie Jansen (9) said, "I loved being out there on the floor dancing for the audience."

The varsity dance team attended four competitions throughout the season. At Illinois State, Indianapolis, and Munster High School, they received first in poms. They then attended the Nationals, held in Orlando, Florida and placed 28 out of 77 teams in the Small Varsity Pom Category. This was the first time the dance team advanced so far.

Hillary Landis (12) said, "From nationals I realized how lucky

our team was to have coaches like we did. Other teams practiced for hours and rarely had fun. When we practiced, our coaches were proud of us no matter what."

Lindsey Ciocchina (12) said, "I was so proud of the team because we went further this year than ever before. We made close friendships and memories that will last forever." -**Karie Larsen**

Bust a move

During half time of a J.V. football game, Melanie Partak (9) Kristina Louttit (10), Carey Ciocchina (9), and Ashley Korzeniewski (10) perform. The J.V. team placed first in the poms division at the competition in Munster. Photo by Giolas



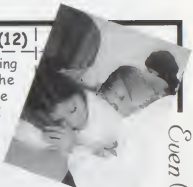


Sweet victory

Angie Tsikouris (10) hugs her mom at nationals. Tsikouris said, "We had made it to semifinals and we were all together; everyone was so happy." Photo by Deb Ciocchina

Lauren Hostinsky (12)

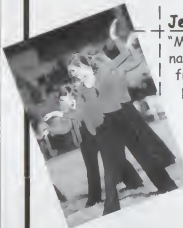
"By far, the best thing about being on the dance team was the friendships that I made, they also made our team strong." (with Hillary Landis, 12) Photo by Lindsey Ciocchina



Even Odds

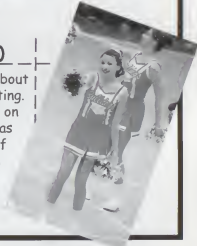
Jen Jansen (12)

"My favorite part about nationals was being with my friends and going to all the parks. We had the best time of our lives. From nationals I learned to do my best and that was all that mattered." Photo by Gias



Megan Frasor (10)

"My favorite thing about nationals was competing. When we were out on the floor and there was a huge rush of emotion, it was such a great feeling to perform." (with Amber Walter, 12) Photo by Gias



New faces

Getting ready for a performance, Heather Schultz (10) applies her makeup. Schultz said, "My favorite part of Nationals was being with my friends and the excitement." Photo by Lindsey Ciocchina



Face Off

Passing to a teammate, Bob Cummings (12) takes the face off in the Lake Central game. Cummings carried the nickname of Back-door Burglar because of his ability to steal the puck. Photo by Giolas



Zach Hill (10)

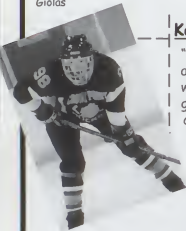
"I had been playing hockey for eight years. I started because I loved the game and because I liked to ice skate. I enjoyed playing because I was with my friends." Photo by Giolas



Even Odds

Kathy Yokovich (10)

"What I liked most about hockey was that it was such a quick-paced game. The players were constantly changing, so the new players on the ice kept the game moving. I had been playing of four years." Photo by Giolas



Eric Lakich (12)

"My favorite thing about playing hockey was the competition and the physical play. I also enjoyed seeing all the dedicated fans that came out each game to support the team." Photo by Giolas



Striving for a Save

While reaching for the puck, Kevin LaDuke (12) protects the goal from his Portage opponent. LaDuke played the position of goaltender along with Zack Hill (10). Photo by Giolas



icy

Team focuses on wins and finishes seventh in their division

hot

After selling advertisements for the hockey brochure over the summer to help pay for ice time, the varsity and junior varsity teams began practices in October with high hopes for a repeat of last season's success. Chase Overbeeke (10) said, "We had a large amount of talent on the team, and we hoped to win the state tournament."

The team began its season against T.F. South and Highland and came out victoriously in both games. Todd Plewa (9) said, "The highlight of this season was the first game that we won."

Out of the next five games, the team lost three and tied in two. This trend of losses with a few wins tossed in continued through February. The skaters did defeat an arch rival, however. Head Coach Jim Watson said, "Defeating Bishop Noll the first game of the Thanksgiving Tourney was a highlight because we were down 3-1 and the boys battled back to take the game 6-4. This was a big moment because we had just lost to Bishop Noll a couple of weeks before in a close, regular-season game."

The season play-offs left the varsity with a last place ranking at the state competition. The team walked away with one loss and

two tied games finishing 7th out of the eight teams.

So more students could play, the club created a junior varsity team of Crown Point and T.F. South players. Since the two schools did not practice together it was difficult to win games. Varsity and J.V. player Cathy Yokovich (10) said, "We really did not have a winning season, but after the few games that we did win, everyone was in a good mood." -Erica Byrd

Awaiting a Chance

Stealing the puck, Chase Overbeeke (10) checks his Portage opponent. Overbeeke played roller hockey for several years in Merrillville and switched to ice after moving to Crown Point.

Photo by Golas

Head Coach- Jim Watson

Assistant Coach- Jason Gondek

Captains- Bob Cummings (12), Brandon Skopelja (12), Adam Zimmerman (12)

Varsity Record- 7-16-2

J.V. Record- 3-10-2

Hockey



safe

Hours of practice leads to Sectional Championship investment

Practicing after school everyday until 4:30 and then on Saturday morning for an additional two hours, the varsity wrestling team worked hard for victories in the post season. Tony Schoffel (11) said, "During practice we first would warm up, then we would do some technique drills, finally we would wrestle live, which was just like a wrestling match. And also, many times, we would mess around and wrestle like the WWF and have fun."

The team also set many team and individual goals for the season. Jimmy Ponziano (10) said, "My individual goal was to get to regionals with a good chance to go to semi-state." The team was successful in meeting most of their goals, placing first in sectionals and second in team regionals, with a 37-27 match against Hobart and a 15-46 loss to Portage.

At Sectionals, twelve wrestlers qualified to compete in the individual Regional competition. Les Darlin (9), who placed third, said, "I had wrestled Nathan Uldrich from Portage, who placed first in DAC, before and been beat. This time, he pinned me in the first period, but I came back to win my match." From

regionals, eight wrestlers qualified for Semi State. At the competition, seniors Ryan Wilkinson, Kevin Wilkinson, Tony Schoeffel and Brian Mellis qualified to compete in the State match where Kevin Wilkinson placed eighth.

Looking back, Danny Mellis (10) said, "I decided to wrestle because it was very challenging. Being in wrestling made me an all around better person." -**Taryn Salmi**

Finishing a match

Pulling his opponent to the ground, Kevin Wilkinson (12) takes control of the match. Wilkinson qualified for the individual state competition and placed 8th. Photo by Giolas



Coach- Scott Vlink

Record- 15-4-2

Conference Record-
4-3

Post Season- placed
2nd at Regionals

MVP- Kevin Wilkinson
(12)

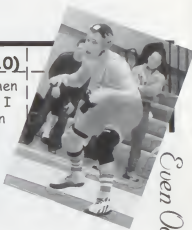


Pushing to win

To gain the advantage, Les Darlin (9) attempts to flip his Valparaiso opponent over to pin him. The team went on to lose the match 21-36. Photo by Giolas

Jimmy Ponziano (10)

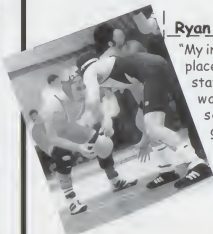
"I began to wrestle when I was six years old. I looked at the season with hopes to qualify to regionals with a good chance to make it to semi state." Photo by Giolas



Even Odds

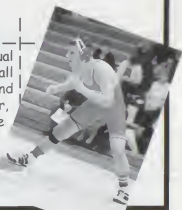
Ryan Wilkinson (12)

"My individual goal was to place in the top eight in state. Team wise, we wanted to win sectionals. It was great to be able to meet that goal as a team. Photo by Giolas



Danny Mellis (10)

"My goal as an individual was just to have an all around good season, and by the time it was over, to look back and be able to say that I always did the best I possibly could." Photo by Giolas



Taking him down

Trying to pin his opponent, Mark Vlink (10) puts a Valparaiso wrestler in a headlock. Vlink was one of the twelve wrestlers who qualified for Regionals. Photo by Giolas

Taking him down

With winning on his mind, Joe Moskovich (9) takes his Lake Central opponent down to the mat with a cradle hold. Moskovich wrestled in the 152 pound weight class.

Photo by Giolas

Caleb Rice (9)

"To prepare for a match, I stretched and practiced the moves with another person on the team. I also thought of what moves I was going to do on the mat."

Photo by Giolas



Kevin Devine (9)

"I have wrestled for two years, and I started my season practicing with the freshmen, then I wrestled J.V. After the freshmen season was over, I also started practicing with the varsity team." Photo

by Giolas

Jimmy Orchowski (9)

"I wanted to be a wrestler to try something new that also looked like it was hard. Participating on the team was a challenge because it was difficult for me to do well."

Photo by Giolas



Securing a victory

While breaking down his Valparaiso opponent, David Thomas (12) works on dominating his match. Thomas had an overall season record of 4-4.

Photo by Giolas



--hurts

Teams face challenges and achieve goals throughout season

so good

Vigorous practice, precise concentration and unlimited dedication led the J.V. and freshman wrestling teams to achieving multiple personal and team goals for the season.

The teams practiced and conditioned for two hours a day, five days a week. Ed Klingberg (10) said, "Each practice we would warm up, drill for a little while, and then go hit for about 45 minutes."

Utilizing different methods, wrestlers prepared mentally and physically for matches. Kevin Devine (9) said, "I physically prepared by working hard in practice; mentally, I just thought about getting my arm raised at the end of the match." Others not only got pumped up for matches, but quietly tried to focus all of their thoughts on the match. "I said a little prayer," said Jimmy Orchowski (9).

An unusual match took place when Jimmy Orchowski (9) was paired with a female wrestler from Boone Grove. "I had so much pressure on me. I took her down, and pinned her. It was the biggest relief of stress," Orchowski said.

After the season, some wrestlers recalled their favorite and

most challenging matches. Rob Bruno (11) said, "When my opponent and I were evenly matched up, both mentally and physically, it came down to who wanted it more, that was what I loved most."

Although Coach Tyler Bush was pleased with the entire team's performance, he was especially proud of one in particular. "Kevin Kash (10) had a strong season, winning the Lafayette Jefferson, Rennsalaer, and South Bend Riley Invitationals," said Coach Bush.

-Lindsey Ciochina

Taking control

During a meet, Tommy Ponziano (9) controls his match by overturning his competitor with the single-leg approach. Ponziano wrestled in the 189 pound weight class.

Photo by Giolas



J.V./Freshman Wrestling

J.V./Freshman Coach-
Tyler Bush

J.V. Team Leaders-
Kevin Kasch (10)
Ben Sonntag (10)

Freshman Team
Leaders-
Corey Bush
Mark McInerney

new

Increasing level of stunts, squads reach new heights routines

Providing support and school spirit at athletic events, the cheerleading squads worked to create interesting routines. They not only cheered at football and basketball games, but participated in many competitions. "Cheerleading has turned into an actual sport. We have to work very hard at everything we do," said Julie Bauer (10).

Cheerleading
Cheerleading
Coach- Sue
Heinzman

Assistant Coach-
Paula Wedtke

Competition Record-
18th- NCA at
Nationals
4th- Great America
Top Team Award- St.
Mary's College

At the end of July, the groups attended a National Cheerleading Association camp at St. Mary's College. Kristine Rasmussen (12), Chris Damjanovic (12), Lindsey Kranz (11), and Matt Eaton (10) won All-American Cheerleader Distinction, while the varsity squad received the Top Team Award, which named it the most outstanding team at the camp, and the Spirit Stick Award. "Competition contains dancing, gymnastics, and stunting as well," said Kelli Morgan (12).

One of the team's greatest achievements included an offer to compete at the national level in Dallas, Texas. From December 26 through the 31st, the group competed against teams from around the country and placed 18th in the coed division. At the

beginning of the year, the squad placed 4th at the Great America Competition, also in the coed division, in Gurnee, Illinois. Emily Rashin (11) said, "We got a lot of support from the other squads at our competitions and that helped a lot."

In addition, three male cheerleaders joined the squad. "They made the teamwork part much easier. We had the best guys we could have asked for. They were part of our family like any of the girls," said Jocelyn Ivey (12). **-Katelin Klepsch**

School spirit

At the Homecoming pep rally the varsity cheerleaders finish a routine. They performed the same routine at the Great America Competition in the fall. Photo by Gialas





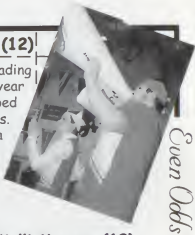
Topping it off

As the voice of the Bulldogs, Ed O'Brien announces the boys' basketball team, the varsity squad cheers for each starter. The squad placed 18th in the nation at nationals.

Photo by Ashley Rhodes

Chris Damjanovic (12)

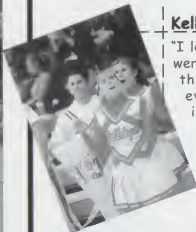
"I had been cheerleading for two years. Last year we made the team a coed squad by adding guys. This way I could be a part of it." (with Kristine Rassmussen, 12) Photo by Giolas



Even Offs

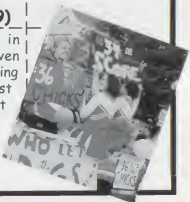
Kelli Morgan (12)

"I loved the people. We were together most of the week. With everything we were involved in, we had developed to be much like a family." (with Matt Eaton, 10 and Julie Bauer, 10) Photo by Giolas



Megan Luedtke (9)

"I had been in cheerleading for seven years. I enjoyed making new friends and just having fun throughout the year. We learned so much." (with Marika Barman, 9, Jessica Nelson, 9) Photo by Giolas



Leading the pack

Alice Wildes (10), Jessica Bixeman (11) and Danielle Osuna (10) attempt to pep up the student body at the Homecoming Pep Session. Bixeman and Wildes were the co-captains of the J.V. squad. Photo by Giolas

Perfect Ten

Dismounting from the pommel horse, Melissa Machowicz (11) tries to maintain perfect form. Machowicz said, "The highlight of this season was overcoming fears and obstacles."

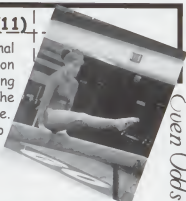
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Ashley Angelini (11)

"Some of my personal goals for this season were to have a winning team and to place in the top five in conference. We also wanted to break one hundred points as a team."

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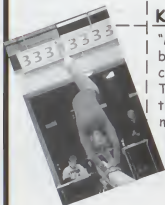


Even Odds

Kelly Brown (9)

"My favorite thing about being in gymnastics was competing in the meets. The floor exercise and the balance beam were my favorite events. The highlight of the season was placing third at the Chesterton invite."

Photo by Giolas



Kristina Vlassopoulos (9)

"One of my favorite memories was when the team got together at Lisa Diederich's (11) house for our sectional dinner. All twelve of us played Twister and took pictures." Photo by Giolas



Balancing Act

Lisa Diederich (11) concentrates while performing a difficult stunt on the balance beam. Diederich was one of the team's captains and was named M.V.P. at the winter sports banquet.

Photo by Giolas



almost

Young team places 61th at sectionals, sends one to State

certain

United, talented, and determined described the gymnastics team according to Coach Seurina Vinovich. In addition to their coach and only one senior for guidance, the underclassmen also gained encouragement from their junior captains Lisa Diederich and Melissa Machowicz. Christina Hoffer (9) said, "My favorite memories were the bus rides to the far-away meets."

The team started the season off with a loss against Valparaiso but went on to place third at the Chesterton Invitational. Nikki Westenberg (9) said, "My favorite aspects about gymnastics were the meets. I was very competitive so I loved being put up to a challenge." With a weak record, the team looked forward to Sectionals where they could have a chance at the title.

At Sectionals, Lisa Diederich (11) placed 3rd in the all-around competition and advanced to Regionals, where she again placed 3rd in the all-around competition, 1st in the floor exercise and balance beam, and 6th on the bars. With these scores, she qualified for state competition where she placed 12th in the all-around competition and floor exercise and 3rd on the beam.

Gymnastics

Coach- Seurina Vinovich

Captains- Lisa Diederich (11) and Melissa Machowicz (11)

Record- 4 - 5

Conference Record- 1 - 6

MVP- Lisa Diederich

"We were all very excited for Lisa because she ended up in the all-around at state, not just one event. It was her goal since she entered high school to compete in the all-around at state level and she accomplished her goal," said Coach Seurina Vinovich. " -

Erica Byrd

Deep focus

Staying focused, Kristine Russell (11) finishes her routine on the uneven bars during a meet against Portage. The team finished the meet with a loss 94.725-101.475. Photo by Giolas



friendly

Common interest, love of game draws students to team

pursuit

A local team, challenging competition, and a caring coach helped to bring together students who shared a common interest in bowling according to team members. Both the girls' and the boys' bowling teams started their regular season in November and ended it in February.

Coach- Jeff Schipper

Captains- Sarah Podkul (12) and Bill Robinson (12)

Girls Record- 5th - Duneland Conference

Boys Record-
3rd- Duneland Conference
1st - Sectionals
3rd -Regionals

Although the girls' team did not make it past sectionals, the boys' team advanced all the way to state. Each team practiced two days a week at the Super Bowl in Crown Point and competed in competitions over the weekends.

The six members of the girls' team began their training long before the season and even before high school. Erica Krick (12) said, "I used to bowl with a Saturday league at J.R.'s Lanes." The boys' team, consisting of ten members, also started bowling long before their high school years. Ross Fricke (11) said, "I had been bowling for about nine years. My dad owned Fricke's bowling alley, so I started young."

Regionals proved to be a big tournament for the boys' team since it determined whether or not they would go to state. Tim Loudermilk (12) said, "My most memorable bowling tournament

was Regionals because it came down to the last few frames of the last game. We came out in third, and we advanced to state."

Being a member of the bowling team brought many opportunities to meet new people. Karlin Norwalk (10) said, "What I liked most about participating on the team was the chance to make new friends." -**Karie Larsen**

Strike!

Checking out the scores, Bill Robinson (12) and Rick Rohaley (12) look over the competition. Rohaley's goal was to keep his average close to or above 200, which he did. Photo by R. Overbeeke





Game face

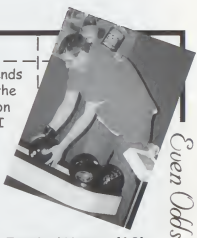
Focusing on the pins, Dan Pace (10) and Zack Hill (10) prepare to throw the ball. Pace said he did not take bowling seriously until he joined a league.

Photo by R. Overbeeke

Zach Hill (10)

"Being with my friends was what I enjoyed the most about being on the bowling team. I also achieved my goal, which was to bowl an average of 200."

Photo by R. Overbeeke



Even Odds

Jamie Worst (10)

"Being with my friends and making new friends was what I enjoyed most about being on the bowling team. My main goal was to break a 200, which I did. I bowled a 223."

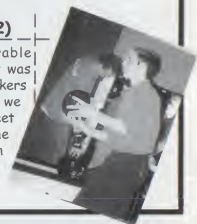
Photo by R. Overbeeke



Bill Robinson (12)

"My most memorable bowling tournament was the one called the Bakers Tournament, where we had the chance to meet new people from the Suburban Conference."

Photo by R. Overbeeke



Top talk

Coach Jeff Schipper discusses the bowling schedule with Sarah Podkul (12). Schipper said, "To be a good bowler you must have a strong mental attitude."

Photo by R. Overbeeke





Girls' Swimming and Diving

Front row: Amanda Ketcher, Mallory Palus, Jen Reeves, Elizabeth Johnson, Tiffany Arro, Lindsay Cortez, Lindsay Gora, Daryl Packard
Second row: Jim Stanford, Carly Smith, Emily Booth, Dana Hernick, Erin Buchelt, Carolyn Dienes, Caitlin Kerr, Emily Ketcher, Lisa Diederich, Ashley Angelini
Third row: Coach Aaron Willman, Coach David Milligan, Kimberly Bieker, Elizabeth Brown, Kathleen Brown, Coach Mark Butcher, Coach Doug Norris
Last row: Jen Dienes, Ericka Nance, Katie Bieker, Jessica Frank, Stephanie Titthof, Paola Benetti

Boys' Swimming and Diving

Front row: Coach Aaron Willman, Garret Willis, Mike Stanek, Bill Schmidt, Ben Rock, Ryan Orzechowicz, Phillip Schicker, Thomas Persson, Coach Doug Norris, Coach Mark Butcher
Second row: Paul Schmidt, Chris Arges, Jeremy Spiekout, Chris Anderson, Brian Wheeler, Josh Sauerman, Brandon Boyer
Last row: Coach David Milligan, Richard Plank, West Dykstra, Grant Springman, David Mayes, John Nance, Marc Bonich, Jim Stanford



Girls' Varsity Basketball

Front row: Erica Byrd, La'Kea Harvey, Sarah Zondor, Nikki Borys, Amanda Bernard, Katie Reid
Second row: Laura Buchelt, Ashley Plumley, Amy Zondor, Janel Heneghan, Carissa Triplett, Allison Isailovich, Alex Webster, Dessia Rattray, Julie Gettler
Last row: Coach Nancy Eksten, Coach Laurie Hamilton, Coach Tom May, Coach Mike Malaski, Coach Beth Jacobs
Not Pictured: Coach Scott Reid

girls' swimming

Michigan City 95-91
 Chesterton 67-199
 LaPorte 3rd
 Valparaiso 117-69
 Merrillville 126-60
 Portage 95-91
 Griffith 116-70
 Highland 4th

LaPorte 116-70
 Munster 90-96
 Duneland Conf. 3rd
 Lowell 133-51
 Hobart 124-47
 Rensselaer 134-33
 Sectional 2nd

boys' swimming

Michigan City 137-44
 Chesterton 86-141
 LaPorte Relay Invite 3rd
 Valparaiso 102-84
 Merrillville 94-92
 Portage 95-91
 Griffith 113-63

LaPorte 116-70
 DAC 2nd
 Lowell 106-77
 Hobart 99-94
 Rensselaer 86-94
 Kankakee Valley 137-42
 Sectional 2nd

girls' varsity basketball

Hebron 43-35
 Andean 61-44
 Munster 50-29
 Warsaw 78-54
 Lowell 80-12
 Portage 46-39
 Highland 48-55
 Merrillville 70-42
 Valparaiso 46-35
 Lake Central 55-37
 Gary Wallace 77-32
 New Castle 72-56
 Michigan City 71-38

Kankakee Valley 48-39
 Chesterton 58-24
 LaPorte 69-38
 Plymouth 38-45
 Hobart 47-25
 St. Joe 63-52
 Penn 37-67
 Sectionals-Hobart 53-37
 Sectional Semi-Finals-
 Lake Central 58-42
 Sectional Finals-
 Merrillville 65-42
 Regionals-Highland 35-48

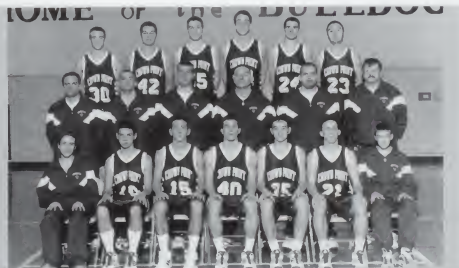


Girls' JV Basketball

Front row: Erica Byrd, Katie Reid, Emily Tromp, Sarah Myers, Amy Zondor, Laura Buchelt, Kristen Reid **Second row:** Katie LoGreco, Laura Hawes, Danielle Brueck, Kathleen Fredericks, Heather Dallman, Coach Mike Malaski **Last row:** Keri Cuculich, Lauren Rhodes, Teresa Kaminski, Blayre Reeves, Allison Tsailovich

Girls' Freshman Basketball

Front row: Melissa Kiefer, Jennifer Strempek, Mallory Michaels, Whitney Brown, Alex Mossbarger **Second row:** Coach Beth Jacobs, Lindsey Morfin, Melissa Cooper, Ann Walter, JoAnna Heneghan, Jenna Henderson **Last row:** Stephanie Sandilla, Amanda Wirtz, Teresa Kaminski, C.C. Martinez, Mary Kvachkoff **Not Pictured:** Coach Brian McClanahan



Boys' Varsity Basketball

Front row: Tara Wietbrock, Dale Packard, Chad Pruzin, Craig Lozanovski, Josh Ratray, Bret Govert, Joe Gettler **Second row:** Coach Tom Johnson, Coach Pat Mills, Coach Greg Doane, Coach Ray Tarnow, Trainer Trent Trump, Coach Brian Pillar **Last row:** Adam Vetter, Josh Goeringer, Kyle Robbins, Bryan Cuculich, Rick Oliver, T.J. Pruzin

girls' j.v. basketball

Hebron 29-14
Andrean 28-30
Munster 20-25
Warsaw 29-20
Lowell 34-22
Portage 31-28
Highland 36-29
Merrillville 45-23
Valparaiso 13-40
Lake Central 32-36

Valparaiso 21-35
Penn 29-35
Michigan City 33-19
Kankakee Valley 39-26
Chesterton 32-9
LaPorte 26-20
Plymouth 22-38
Hobart 31-16
St. Joe 36-43
Penn 16-21

girls' freshman basketball

Portage 30-20
Michigan City 28-25
Valparaiso 27-17
Kankakee Valley 35-10
Lake Central 46-15
Chesterton 48-8
Andrean 23-12
LaPorte 29-9
Hobart 36-13

Rensselaer 34-10
Highland 38-10
Plymouth 23-17
Lake Central 43-13
Munster 39-16
Lowell 46-13
Merrillville 15-11
Chesterton 48-8

boys' varsity basketball

Gavit 55-42
Highland 41-36
S.B. Adams 64-33
Lake Central 51-55
E.C. Central 43-39
Portage 90-75
Harrison 50-52
Chesterton 43-50
Hobart 63-33
Merrillville 41-52
Valparaiso 48-57

Munster 54-53
Michigan City 46-53
Chesterton 52-47
LaPorte 80-75
Hobart 54-46
Griffith 39-32
Roosevelt 47-39
Lowell 59-29
Calumet 74-70
Hobart 73-46
Merrillville 40-59



Boys' JV Basketball

Front row: Jeff Kurth, Aaron Miller, Craig Lozanovski, Mike Harris, Andrew Wring
Second row: Tara Wietbrock, Coach Greg Doane, Coach Ray Tarnow, Joe Gettler
Last row: Mike Brown, Jimmy Little, Chris Thomas, Adam Vetter, Chris Kutanovski

Boys' Freshmen Basketball

Front row: Cory Detamore, Scott Certa, Adam Goeringer, Ryan Neises, Aaron Smith, Dave Rendina
Second row: Jordan Struebig, Mike Pavlovick, Coach Brian Tomson, Jason Thomas, Kyle Ernest
Last row: Jonathon Hagabome, Sean Highsmith, Dave Swanson, Adam Hillard, Mike Kristek, Dustin Manis
Not Pictured: Matt Cowan, David Cole, Sean Crinion



Varsity Dance Team

Front row: Hillary Landis, Lauren Hostinsky, Lindsey Ciochina, Jen Jansen, Amber Walters
Second row: Nicole Coros, Holli Warneke, Megan Frasor, Deidra Paitzell
Last row: Angie Tsikouris, Jamie Kooi, Jen Gladdis, Heather Schultz

boys' j.v. basketball

Gavit 54-39	Valparaiso 34-38
Highland 34-40	Munster 36-39
South Bend Adams 35-36	Michigan City 53-60
Lake Central 44-48	Chesterton 29-40
E.C. Central 39-29	LaPorte 47-53
Portage 44-33	Hobart 58-35
Harrison 35-54	Griffith 43-40
Hobart 49-36	Roosevelt 46-49
Merrillville 36-46	Lowell 46-50
Merrillville 26-39	Calumet 64-44

boys' freshman basketball

Lake Central L	Hobart 35-22
Calumet 48-26	Morton 52-23
Chesterton 49-34	LaPorte 30-46
Roosevelt 44-53	Michigan City 40-37
Munster 41-46	Valparaiso 21-40
Merrillville 42-48	Portage 36-40
Hobart 45-26	Boone Grove 46-23
Lowell 40-31	Kankakee Valley 59-21
Merrillville 25-34	Highland 51-46
Highland 31-34	Lake Central 23-33

varsity dance team

Universal Dance Association Camp 1st in pom division
Hoosier Dance Invitational 1st in pom division
Munster Dance Invitational 1st in pom division
National Dance Team Championships 20th

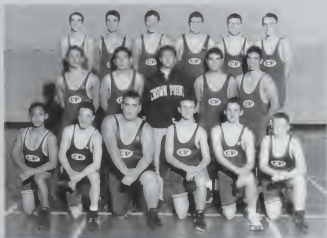


J.V. Dance Team

Front row: Christie Davis, Ashley Korzeniewski, Carey Ciochina **Second row:** Kristina Louttit, Kelly Brown, Megan Reid, Mindy Zacher, Melanie Partak **Last row:** Kristin Sautter, Candice Robinson, Kelly Underwood, Jamie Jansen

Varsity/J.V. Wrestling

Front row: Kim Conway, Les Darlin, Danny Mellis, Sean McDaniel, Kevin Devine, Brian Mellis, Matt Beilfuss, Stephanie Savel **Second row:** Amanda Schaller, Eric Schultz, David Vlink, Ryan Wilkinson, Kevin Wilkinson, James Ponziano, Mark Vlink, Troy Bush, Tony Schoeffel, Coach Brian Malone, Coach Scott Vlink **Last row:** Rob Bruno, Scott Kaiser, Tim Gramenz, Ben Sontag, Dan Elch, Doug Olson, Kevin Kasch, Dave Thomas



Freshmen Wrestling

Front row: John Ramos, Brad Hasse, Adam Spurlock, Caleb Rice, Eric Love, Eric Whitehead **Second row:** Cory Bush, George Godinez, Coach Tyler Bush, Tom Ponziano, Joe Moskovich **Last row:** Jim Orchowski, Riste Jakimoski, Keith Dahlgren, Mark McInerney, Ryan Snyder, Ryan Moline

j.v. dance team

Hoosier Dance Invitational
1st in pom division

Munster Dance Invitational
1st in pom division

varsity wrestling

Greenwood 32-32
Tipton 54-14
Western 63-16
West Lafayette 43-24
Twin Lakes 34-34
Chesterton 27-32
Stagg Tournament 8th
Michigan City 43-28
Merrillville 45-29
Carnahan Tournament 1st
LaPorte 35-24
Hobart 48-15
Calumet 61-3
Lake Central 27-31

Rensselaer 47-9
Western 76-6
Valparaiso 21-36
DAC Tournament 2nd
Portage 13-44
Kankakee Valley 60-12
Boone Grove 54-15
Lafayette Harrison 45-19
Delphi 62-16
Elkhart Central WBF
Sectionals 1st
Regional- Hobart 37-27
Portage 15-46

freshman wrestling

Northwood Tourney 4th
Lowell W
Munster W
Lake Central L
Rensselaer W
Valparaiso L
Andean W
C.P. Invite 2nd

Merrillville W
Lafayette Jeff L
South Bend Riley 8th
East Chicago W
Boone Grove W
Laporte L
Griffith L
Rensselaer Invite 3rd



Varsity Cheerleading

Front row: Kelli Morgan, Jessica Hitchcock **Second row:** Kristine Rasmussen, Sarah Roth, Jocelyn Ivey, Lindsey Kranz **Last row:** Julie Bauer, Matt Eaton, Emily Rashin **Not Pictured:** Chris Damjanovic and Josh Damjanovic

J.V. Cheerleading

Front row: Lindsey Muraida, Danielle Osuna **Second row:** Sabrina Morgan, Jessica Bixeman, Alice Wildes, Lauren Spirovich **Last row:** Jennifer Teske, Bri Goodman, Stephanie Meyers



Freshman Cheerleading

Front row: Brittany Glover, Courtney Fischer **Second row:** Marika Barman, Jessica Nelson, Mary Anderson, Megan Luedtke **Last row:** Jamie Wilhite, Ashlee Hunt, Erin Mickey

varsity cheerleading

Camp 1st place
Herkie Team Award
Top Team Award
Safety in Stunts Award
Six Flags 5th place
NCA Championship Cup 2nd place
18th in the Nation
Indiana State Open 1st place

freshman/j.v. cheerleading

Camp Herkie Team Award
Safety in Stunts Award
Hoosier Open 2nd place

girls'

Chesterton 937-1050
LaPorte 937-821
Portage 937-1052
Hobart 937-805



Gymnastics

Front row: Lisa Diederich, Ashley Angelini **Second row:** Kristina Vlassopoulos, Kelly Brown, Christie Davis, Nikki Westenberg **Last row:** Christina Hoffer, Melissa Machowicz, Erin Quinn, Temple Martin, Kristine Russell, Lauren Zick, Ashley Mattox, Coach Seurina Vinovich

Girls' Bowling

Front row: Mindy Oliphant, Sarah Podkul, Jamie Worst **Not Pictured:** Karlin Norwalk, Erica Krick, Stacy Kwilas, Beth Anderson



Boys' Bowling

Front row: Dan Pace, Mark Reed, Tim Loudermilk, Ross Fricke **Last row:** Coach Jeff Schipper, Zach Hill, Billy Robinson, Nate Mattox, Ricky Rohaley **Not Pictured:** Adam James

bowling

Michigan City 937-1076
Merrillville 937-967
Valparaiso 937-900
Conference 5th

boys' bowling

Chesterton 1122-1124
LaPorte 1122-1128
Portage 1122-1126
Michigan City 1122-1040
Merrillville 1122-1056
Valparaiso 1122-1034
Hobart 1122-876
Conference 4th
Portage-Sectional 4342-4223
Andrean-Regional 3678-3875
Concord-Regional 3678-3707
State 3rd

gymnastics

Valparaiso 91.1-100.15
LaPorte 93.625-94.575
Chesterton Invite 3rd
Concordia Invite 7th
Portage 94.725-101.475
Hobart 95.45-99.6
Lafayette Jeff Invite 7th
Elkhart 87.05-69.55
Michigan City 97.0-92.575
Merrillville 99.9-111.85
Lowell 98.55-95.6
DAC 6th
Lafayette Jeff W
Sectional 6th



Amanda Ashley (10)

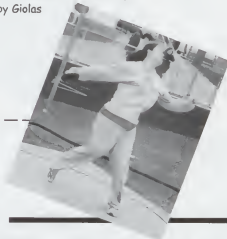
"I wanted to be on the track team for myself. I set my own goals and tried to reach them each and every time that I ran. I did it to prove to myself that I was able to accomplish my goals. At the same time, my personal goal was to work my way up to the varsity team."

Photo by Giolas

Carley Schilling (11)

"I joined the track team because I liked the competitiveness of the different sports. Starting out, my goal was to go to State, but towards the end of the season I just wanted to do my best."

Photo by Giolas



Erin Buchelt (9)

"Because I loved to run, and I had many friends on the team, I decided to join track and field. One of my personal goals this season was to get 5:50 in the mile, but I was disappointed when I got 5:52.6 as my best time."

Photo by Giolas

Even Odds



Pushing along

Sarah Whiteside (9) concentrates on her competition in the 200-meter race at the Lake Central meet held on a Saturday. In addition to this event, she also ran in the 4 by 100 meter relay that day.

Photo by Giolas

Gaining momentum

During a home meet against LaPorte, Beth Erickson (11) prepares to throw the discus as far as possible. She advanced on to sectionals and placed 4th with 110' 9" throw.

Photo by Giolas





Longing to jump

After sprinting down the long jump straight-away, Brittany Jillson (9) leaps into the sand pit. This was her first year jumping for the track team. She also participated in the 100-meter and 200-meter dash, and the 4 by 100-meter relay. Photo by Giolas

alone together

Accelerating into the track season, the group of thirty-seven girls on the team dedicated the final three months of school to running, jumping, throwing, and competing. Despite the team's lack of upperclassmen leadership, certain underclassmen, like Chloe Walton (9) for example, rose to the responsibility of carrying the team to victory.

Although reasons for joining the track and field team varied between athletes, shared expectations and goals for the season were consistent. While some girls joined the team in order to stay fit, get in shape, spend time with friends, or prepare for an upcoming sport, most participated for the love of her event(s). Kelly Rediger (11) said, "I ran track since 7th grade, and I always enjoyed running and competing. It was fun to train all year and finally accomplish goals." As a whole, the team goals were to be competitive, place strong in the Duneland

Athletic Conference, do well in Sectional and Regional competition, and stay together according to seniors Jen Dienes and LaKea Harvey.

Along with reaching these goals, the team remembered some memorable meets from the season. After a 5-meet-winning streak, the girls' team only lost to 3 teams before the conference meet. They reached one of their goals by scoring in the top half of the DAC meet in fourth place. The Sectional meet was a success with four champions, and the team also had 11 qualifiers in 9 events for Regionals. Finally, qualifiers for State included, Chloe Walton (9) in the 200 and 400-meter dashes, Carley Schilling (11) in discus, and Lisa Diederich (11) in high jump. **-Lindsey Ciochina**

Girls' Track

Coach-Ken Witt, Tony Bartolomeo, Shelly Hernandez

Record-9-3

Conference Record-4-3

Post Season-2nd in sectionals, 7th in regionals

MVP-Chloe Walton (9)

Most Improved-Carly Schilling (11), Joell Dixon (10)

Individuals come together as team finishes second at Sectionals

Throwing for distance

Preparing to release the discus, Sase Joveski (12) plots the spot on the field where he wants his throw to land. Joveski participated in both discus and shot put. His best throw was 129 feet and 7 inches. Photo by Gialas



fast idle

The snow had not yet melted in January but conditioning for the Boys' Track team still began. The boys conditioned up and down the hallways after school preparing for the season. "Because of the large amount of underclassmen and intense preseason training that took place, we were able to create depth for our roster," said Assistant Coach John Moorehead (alumni).

With over 100 people out for the team, the coaches gained hope that this would be the year they would reach all of their goals. At the beginning of the season, the team had three goals; to win sectionals, beat Merrillville, and get as many athletes to State as possible, according to Head Coach Dennis Bunda. However they did not quite reach those goals.

Running with a 13-meet-winning streak, the team took on Merrillville and Portage in a dual meet and lost to both 47-39 and 84-39 respectively.

Entering sectionals, with an 18-4 record, the team looked promising. Hoping for a victory the boys fell short taking 2nd out of 12 teams. Two relay teams and six individuals qualified for regionals. "The sectional meet was great even though we lost to Merrillville. We all did our best and ended up with second place," said Cameron Reeves (10). After qualifying for State, the 1600-meter relay team, which consisted of Kyle Knutson (11), Craig Lozanovski (10), Cameron Reeves (10) and Trey Williams (11), finished 20th overall with a time of 3:29:03.

Among their accomplishments the team won the Hobart Little 5 and the Delphi Relays. Sase Joveski (12) said, "At the Hobart Little 5, I won the shot put throw in the finals on my last throw, and I have never seen anyone jump as high as Coach Bunda did."

- Jessica Koscielniak

Coach- Dennis Bunda

Record-18-4

Conference Record-
3-4

Post Season- 2nd in
sectionals

MVP- Bryan Kowert
(11) and Ryan
Orzechowicz (11)

Boys' Track



Bobby Rutherford (10)

"Some of my personal goals, included my 4 by 100 relay team, because we had a chance to break the school record. Yet, instead we wanted to advance to the regional competition individually as well as a team." Photo by Giolas

Bryan Kowert (11)

"There were so many funny things that happened that I did not even know where to start. But after every meet finished, most of the team would go to get something to eat at Taco Bell and that was always a good time."

Photo by Giolas



Jimmy Little (10)

"In the beginning of the season, I ran and jumped pretty much equally. Towards the end though I only focused on my jumping. I really wanted to improve my vertical jump, and I hoped to break my previous personal records." Photo by Giolas

Even Odds



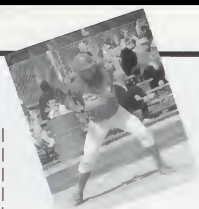
Taking off

Chris Arges (10) takes off from the starting block making his way to the finish line. Arges, who ran the 100, 200 and 4 by 100-meter relay, lettered since his freshman year.

Photo by Jessica Koscielniak

Finished expressions

With intense facial expressions taking over, Aaron Smith (9) makes the turn towards the finish line. Smith ran on the junior varsity team and wanted to break 2:13 in the 800. Photo by Giolas



T.J. Pruzin (12)

"My main goals for my senior baseball season were to win conference, to win the Crown Point Classic, to win at least twenty games, and most of all, I really wanted to win sectionals." Photo by Giolas

Kevin Sendre (11)

"The fact that we were all such good friends made the baseball team fun. Everyone on the team even hung out outside of baseball. We have made many memories that will last." Photo by Giolas



Jeff Mills (11)

"Even though we lost to LaPorte, my most exciting and challenging game was when we played them. I had to pitch and they were ranked number one in the state." Photo by Giolas

Even Odds



Home run

Team captain and pitcher Kris Buckman (12) rounds third base after he hits one of his many home runs for the season. Buckman, who pitched 50 innings, won the MVP award and was named to the Region Allstars. Photo by Giolas

Batter up

Dan Deno (12) stands at the plate waiting for the perfect pitch. Deno, who had 19 runs for the season, said, "Baseball was my kind of sport. It was laid back and was somewhat of a lazy game." Photo by Giolas





Catching signals

Starting catcher, Kyle McIver (11) receives signals from the coach to pass on to the pitcher. McIver was a new addition to the team after transferring from Lake Central. He batted in 9 runs during the season. Photo by Golas

dangerously safe

Starting off their season with a five game winning streak, the varsity baseball team set high goals for the remainder of the season. Patrick Baidinger (11) said, "My main goals were to win at least twenty games, win C.P. Classic, win conference, and to win sectionals." Although they were ranked eighth in the area, their winning streak was broken by an unexpected losing streak that lasted for five games. The rest of the season fluctuated between wins and losses.

The team made friendships and had many memorable moments. Mike Knaga (12) said, "My most memorable moment of the baseball season was when Bret Govert (12) got hit in the eye by a baseball. Govert's head was a magnet for baseballs." For the new comers to the team, it was an honor to be chosen as a varsity member. Kyle Long (11) said, "The best part about being on the team was finally

getting to play on such a good team at the highest level of high school sports. The seniors had many state championships and then we (juniors) got to be a part of it."

As the season ended, the team geared up for sectionals. They played Hobart in their first round and defeated them 4-1. In their second game of sectionals they played Lake Central. Though Lake Central had beaten them in the regular season, they won 4-1 and advanced to the sectional championship game. In the sectional finals, the team faced Merrillville. In the bottom of the sixth inning the team lost their 4-0 lead as Merrillville mounted a comeback and eventually won 6-4. -Karie Larsen

Varsity Baseball

Coach-Ed Sherry

Captains- Dan Knaga (12), T.J. Pruzin (12), Kris Buckman (12)

Record-14-12

Conference Record-9-7

Post Season-Sectional Runner-up

MVP- Kris Buckman (11)

A season filled with ups and downs ends with a sectional loss

Conference on the mound

Planning their next play, Coach Chad Bush (English) confers with pitcher Chad Pruzin (10) and catcher Craig Horvat (10). By the end of the season, both Pruzin and Horvat advanced to the state level during the season.

Photo by Giolas



ineffective efforts

Being a member of the freshman and junior varsity baseball teams prepared the players for the varsity level. Brian Sparks (10) said, "I really enjoyed playing J.V., but it was a major accomplishment to have advanced to varsity during the middle of the season."

Filled with ups and downs, the J.V. team attempted to pull the season together. "My goals for the season were to play as hard as I could, to hustle both on and off the field, and to be a team leader," said Craig Horvat (10). The guys started out strong defeating Michigan City 15-4, but it was the first home game that gave the team hope. "Our first home game, when we beat Merrillville 9-1, was my most memorable game because it gave the team confidence for a successful season," said Michael Harris (10). However, after a successful beginning, five of the team's key players moved to varsity level causing a disappointing end in the final games. Late in the season the team fell to three Duneland Conference teams and lost to Lowell in its last game with a score of 3-1.

With a season full of turbulence, the freshman team was forced to pull together to keep their aspirations alive. The team started off with a 4-0 win against Gavit. Riste Jakimoski (9) said, "The most exciting game of the season was when we played Gavit because it was the first time the whole team and I played together well." Later, they came out of a four-game losing streak by beating Bishop Noll, Lowell, and Valparaiso. Looking back, Zack Petyko (9) said, "The whole season was very memorable. I liked every game just as much as the next!" **-Farren Roark and Wendy Splitgerber**

J.V. Coach- Chad Bush

Assistant Coach- Jason Shaafsma

Record- 9-11

Freshman Coach- Brian Trippeer

Record 8-12

MVP- Doug Ricard (9)

J.V./Freshman Baseball



Doug Ricard (9)

"I played third baseman, shortstop, and pitcher. As a pitcher, my major accomplishment for the season was throwing a no-hitter against Lowell. It was also my most memorable game." Photo by Giolas

Kevin Vandas (10)

"My major goals were to play as hard as I could and to do my best in order to prepare for varsity. In order to accomplish this, I practiced nearly every day unless there was bad weather or it was a game day." Photo by Giolas



Zach Petyko (9)

"I first got involved in baseball so I would have something to do over the summer, and I eventually started to like it. This whole season had been very memorable. I liked each game just as much as the next." (with Matt Cowan, 9) Photo by Giolas

Even Odds



Making the play

First baseman Sean O'Drobinak (10) attempts to tag out his LaPorte opponent in the team's victory of 6-5 over the Slicers. "Beating LaPorte was exciting because they were a tough team," said O'Drobinak. Photo by Giolas

Winding up

Struggling to strike out the batter, Mike Schultz (9) prepares to release the ball towards the plate. Schultz was considered one of the best freshman pitchers by the coaches. Photo by Giolas

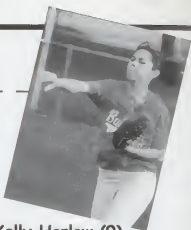


Sarah Zondor (12)

"I had been playing softball since I was six years old, but this softball season was a great end to my senior year. I had a lot of fun playing and making great friends throughout my four years of playing." Photo by Giolas

Jamie Jansen (9)

"I had a really fun time my first year in softball. I was nervous, especially in our first game, but I got over my nerves and eventually had a blast." Photo by Giolas



Kelly Harlow (9)

"Our team was a really great team to be a part of. The girls were so supportive, along with the coaches. No matter what happened you knew that everyone was behind you 100 percent." Photo by Giolas

Even Odds



Ready to field

Carefully watching the pitcher throw a fast pitch to the batter, Kelly Davis (12) covers first base during a home game against Griffith. The team went on to win the game 3-2. Photo by Giolas

Home safe

Sliding into home plate, Crystal Dille (11) scores a run for the team in a game against Griffith. Dille started the season as the team's first baseman. Photo by Giolas





Out of the way

Kendra Rather (10) jumps out of the line of fire from Munster's wild pitcher during a junior varsity game. Rather said, "She ended up hitting me in the ankle by the time the game was over." Photo by Gialas

surprisingly predictable

The softball teams started their season far earlier than the actual games began. Conditioning started in late January and the team also began formulating their goals and expectations for the season. Chrissy Sanford said, "Our team's top priorities were beating first ranked team Portage and also winning Sectionals."

The season started off with two wins against Hammond Morton 12-3, and Griffith 3-2. After some minor setbacks, the girls awaited their rival, Portage. In their first meeting the team lost 0-6, but the second time around the team was ready and won 8-5. Jeanette Rosenwinkel (12) said, "The best game this year was when we were playing at Portage. They won State last year and were on a forty-three-game winning streak. We played really well and beat them 8 to 5. We beat Portage! No one ever expected that, and we did it."

The junior varsity team set out to finish its season with a winning record, to stay close, and work together as a team. Starting off strong, the girls defeated Griffith 5-4. As the season progressed, they held two, four-game winning streaks separated by a 6-7 loss to Valparaiso. As the season came to an end, the team beat Valparaiso 7-5 to end a five-game winning streak.

Throughout the season, the team formed many memories of highlights from each of their games. Mindy Lakich (10) said, "My most memorable game was against Merrillville. It was freezing outside, and we had to keep playing even though we were killing them. I will always remember that." **-Katie Reid and Erica Byrd**

Coch-Chris Pepa

Record- 11-15

Conference Record- 7-7

Post Season-Lost first round of Sectionals

MVP-Nicole Frost (12) and Sarah Zondor (12)

Team surprises critics with a win over state-ranked Portage

Fore!

During a meet against Lafayette, Eric Peschke (12) watches his ball after hitting from the tee. Peschke beat the course by four shots despite the windy conditions and said that it was his most rewarding match of the season. Photo by Giolas

roaring silence

With a team built on friendships, the members of the boy's golf team found it made the season more fun. Nick Hoffman (10) said, "I liked having fun with the boys on the team when we played." Adding to the team unity was the five seniors on the team. Coach Art Equihua (social studies) said, "I have been around these kids for four years. They were fantastic role models for my younger golfers."

Starting off the season placing fourth in the Hall of Fame Classic, the boys kept up the momentum winning their next two matches and placing second in the Lafayette Jefferson Classic. Brandon Skopelja (12) said, "I was really excited with the way we started off our season. It helped us to build our confidence, and it set a positive attitude for the rest of the season."

In mid-season, the team was still going strong when they placed second in the Rensselaer Invite.

"The invite down in Rensselaer was my most exciting golf match because I shot pretty well and our team finished second," said Christian Skaltsas (9). The regular season finished with five more wins and the team headed into sectional play.

A threatening storm and steady rain did not stop the sectional match. As the match came to a close, the boys thought a first place finish was in their grasp. When the scores came in the team had won, but a mistake was found on one of the team members' scorecards, disqualifying him and moving the team to a third place finish. However, this still qualified them for Regionals. Despite rainy, cold weather and postponements, the team finished 7th. -Lauren Hagberg



Coach- Art Equihua

Captains- Nathan Szymczak (12), Eric Peschke (12)

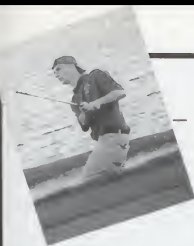
Record- 16-4

Conference Record- 11-3

Post Season- 3rd at Sectionals

MVP- Eric Peschke

Boys' Golf



Nathan Szymczak (12)

"My best scores of the season were when I broke even in the tri-meet against LaPorte and Valparaiso. I also broke even in the meet against Hobart. It was such a good feeling to make par in not only one meet but two." Photo by Giolas

Kyle Robbins (10)

"My most exciting match was the Sandy Pines invitational. It was my first match, and we came in second place. I also enjoyed getting free golf at White Hawk." Photo by Giolas



Mike Doolin (12)

"Golf was the best sport, the coaches and the other players on the team were really cool. Being around all the cool people made the season a lot more exciting. I was also so glad that I played on varsity with so many other talented players." Photo by Giolas

Even Odds



Close watch

Finishing his back swing, Chris Kutanovski (10) prepares to hit his approach shot. Kutanovski hoped to play professional golf after he had finished school. Photo by Giolas

In a trap

Dan Lambert (9) attempts to chip his ball out of the sand trap. Lambert's main goal of the season was to participate in at least one varsity match and to letter as a freshman. Both of his goals were achieved. Photo by Giolas



Asma Khalid (11)

"When we played LaPorte, we knew it was going to be a tough match, but we were tired and did not play anywhere close to our best. We ended up getting destroyed! But throughout the year, I learned how to play confidently and believe in my strokes." Photo by Giolas

Ashley Korzeniewski (9)

"I joined the tennis team because I wanted to try something new. The best thing about the team was how we had so much fun together, and how we always made fun of each other." Photo by Giolas



Victoria Liss (12)

"The best thing about being in tennis was making friends that I would have for the rest of my life. Tennis was also a sport I could always play, even when I got older, so that made playing more enjoyable." Photo by Giolas

Even Odds



Ready to return

Shuffling back, Erin Crowley (11) moves into position for the return. Crowley, who played on J.V. and Varsity, said, "The best thing was the closeness of the girls on the team. We developed some really great friendships." Photo by Giolas

Watching the ball

Concentrating, Nikki Echterling (12) reaches for the ball at the 1st match against Munster where the girls lost 0-5. Echterling played number 1 singles on the varsity team. Photo by Giolas





Girls' Tennis

Coach- Deb Cuffia

Captains- Katie Chelap (12),
Victoria Liss (12) and Katie
Kurowski (12)

Record- 12-6

Conference Record- 4- 3

Post Season- Sectional
Champs

MVP- Colleen Drasga (11)

Preparing for a return

As she prepares herself, Colleen Drasga (11) begins to return the tennis ball to the Mustangs' side of the net. Drasga said, "My favorite parts of tennis were the girls, the bus rides, and most of all, the skirts." Photo by Golas

anxiously composed

Starting out the season with a 3-2 win to Lowell, the girls' varsity tennis team followed up with a 0-5 loss to Munster. During the rest of the season, the girls' lost five matches and won ten, which included Valparaiso, the first win against that team in four years. Also, the team defeated Andrean which was the first time in five years. "My favorite match was against Andrean. My partner and I took them in 3 sets to contribute to the 3-2 win," said Katie Chelap (12).

Throughout the season, numerous jokes and unforgettable memories formed between the girls, most of which occurred during bus rides, practices, and away games. Victoria Liss (11) said, "On the way to Logansport, I fell asleep laying across the seats. The bus came to a sudden stop, and I rolled right off and woke up to everyone standing over me and laughing."

Chelep also had a funny story to share. "We were in Michigan City and the team went to the restroom. They had a gate across the doorway that locked the bathrooms. I thought it would be funny to shut the door, but not all the way. Instead I locked it. I had to go find the Michigan City coach to rescue my teammates. Talk about embarrassing!"

At the end of the season, the girls arrived at Calumet High School for Sectionals and went home champions, for the seventh year in a row. Facing Munster for the second time that year, the girls played the Regional game, but lost 0-5.

Although the girls' tennis team did not win Regionals, most of them agreed that they conquered their personal goals. Katie Kurowski (12) said, "I accomplished my goal this season by improving my skills and having a winning season." -Ashley Mann

Girls' varsity wins seventh consecutive title



Girls' Track

Front row: Kelly Rediger, Sarah Vickers, Kathy Shaw, Lindsey Gora, Marika Burman, Sara Sendzias, Heather Forney, Joell Dixon, Aimee Cooper **Second row:** Anna Egofske, Tara Menacher, Heather Dallman, Emily James, Coach Shelly Hernandez, Coach Ken Witt, Coach Tony Bartolomeo, Susan Thomas, Ashley Angelini, Kelli Hein, Sheena Sum **Third row:** Jennifer Strempla, Stephanie Dennis, Colleen Carroll, Amanda Schaller, Jen Dienes, Sarah Myers, Heather Paymond, Carrie Meyer, Amanda Ashley, Joanne Heneghan **Last row:** Heather Griffis, La'Kea Harvey, Beth Erickson, Chloe Walton, Carolyn Dienes, Lisa Diederich, Brittany Jillson, Emily Tromp, Erin Buchelt

Boys' Track

Front row: Eric Love, Sean Gertsch, Fred Rosenwinkel, Kevin Devine, Sean Crinion, Nick Pauluski, Dan Grubbe, Joel Cook, Wes Dykstra, Adam Krugulski, Caleb Rice, Justin Bell, Sean McDonald **Second row:** Amber West, Aaron Smith, George Golez, Steve Hamilton, Luke Boppie, Andrew Wring, Brian Wheeler, Chris Angus, Adam Miller, Ryan Orzechowicz, Aaron Reimer, Dan Dinh, Rob Bruno, Merv Borenie, Brian Reed, Cassie Andrews **Third row:** Coach Keith Tidings, Coach John Spinio, Matt Belfis, Nick Furno, Rob Gassl, Jeff Beck, Adam Eich, Ryan Zic, Ryan Ostrowsky, David Alt, Tom Cornillos, Mark McInerney, Brian Stokowski, Tim Grimmers, Corey Bush, John Abbot, Dale Packard, Coach Dennis Bundo, Coach Lafayette Armontrout **Fourth row:** Jim Stanford, Eric Schultz, Wilfred Gernikovich, Jason Aubush, Robert Siepsowich, Zach Mako, Steve Somers, Brian Kowert, John Carroll, Scott Quailo, Tim Spear, Cameron Reeves, Greg Holliday, Anthony Obermen, Brad Marehead, David Santella **Fifth row:** Sean Highsmith, Kevin Klen, Tony Rivera, Adam Hillard, Nick Myers, Kyle Knutson, Bobby Rutherford, Ryan Olson, Constantine Aliferakis, Adam Trusnick, John Pittman, Sashe Javeski, Nick Comp, Brent Brown **Last row:** Andrew Burzin, Justin Stodd, Bryce Seibert, Trey Williams, Tom West, Josh Zocher, Nick Lozovski, Jimmy Little, John Beauchamp, Marc Balchis, Chris Domonovich, Paul Schmidt, Aaron Miller, Craig Lozenovski, John Bezzorse



Varsity Baseball

Front row: Ryan Wilkinson, Dan Deno, David Kepperling, Kyle McIver, Pat Baidinger, Kevin Sendre, Kyle Long **Second row:** Mike Knaga, Dan Knaga, Jim Smith, Jeff Tessman, Bret Govert, Kris Buckman **Last row:** Brian Shat, T.J. Pruzin, Chris Seleski, Kelly Fricke, Jeff Mills, Coach Ed Sherry, Coach Ben Parrish



girls' track

Chesterton 51-19	Kankakee Valley 104-52
Bomber Boiler Relays 6th	Laporte 76-5-18
Merrillville 51-64	Michigan City 76-5-61.5
Lake Central Relays 2nd	Merrillville 54-57
Lowell 78-45	Portage 54-45
Lake Central 70-68	Valparaiso 27-64.5
Highland 70-18	Chesterton 27-64.5
Hobart 90-33	DAC Meet 4th
East Chicago Central 104-0	Sectionals 2nd

boys' track

Munster 112-39	Hobart 141-49
Lowell 112-16	Wirt 141-1
Lake Central 78-67	Merrillville 39-47
Highland 78-18	Portage 39-84
Hobart 107-25	Delphi 138-77
East Chicago 102-38	North Newton 138-59
Kankakee Valley 102-19	Frankfurt 138-33.5
LaPorte 64-54	Twin Lakes 138-31.5
Michigan City 64-49	North Western 138-29
Griffith 141-76	Chesterton 36-38.5
River Forest 141-66	Valparaiso 36-92.5

varsity baseball

Hammond High Win	Portage Win
Hammond Gavit Win	Merrillville Win
Michigan City Win	Highland Loss
Hebron Win	LaPorte Loss
Portage Win	Valparaiso Loss
Griffith Loss	Gary Westside Win
Merrillville Loss	Munster Loss
LaPorte Loss	Chesterton Loss
Valparaiso Loss	Hobart Win
Lake Central Loss	Kankakee Valley-Win
Chesterton Win	Lowell Win
Hobart Loss	Hammond Clark Win
Michigan City Win	



JV. Baseball

Front row: Steve Etter, Brandon Barr, Craig Horvat, Phil Rendina, Dave Clayton **Second row:** Matt Wise, Michael Harris, Chad Pruzin, Brad Wilson **Last row:** Eric Gulbrandsen, Brian Sparks, Adam Vetter, Sean O'Drobinak, Dave Guenther

Freshmen Baseball

Front row: Shawn Rice, Nick Bodinet, Greg Meyers, James Fastero, John Fister, Dave Rendina, Josh Easto **Second row:** Zach Petyko, Alex Derks, Matt Cowan, Jordan Struebig, Jeremiah Samples, Fred Homner **Last row:** Coach Dain Allande, John Nance, Doug Ricard, Mike Shultz, Riste Jakimoski, Dave Metsch, Coach Brian Trippeer



Varsity Softball

Front row: Liz Leonard, Chrissy Sanford, Kelly Davis, Amanda Sprehe, Kelly Sankowski, Lacey Holevis, Jeanette Rosenwinkel **Second row:** Laurie Leonard, Nicole Frost, Sarah Zondor, Erin Hostinsky, Amy Zondor, Jamie Pierce **Last row:** Coach Dana Bell, Rachel Peyovich, Jessica Ohlenkamp, Crystal Dille, Joe Gettler, Coach John Gettler, Coach Chris Pepa

j.v. baseball

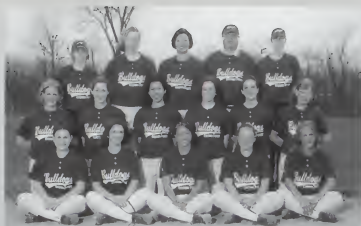
Michigan City 15-4	Portage 7-5
Portage 1-2	Merrillville 3-4
Merrillville 9-1	LaPorte 3-5
LaPorte 6-5	Valparaiso 2-5
Valparaiso 3-15	Munster 4-10
Chesterton 2-0	Munster 1-11
Hobart 19-1	Chesterton 1-11
Andean 5-9	Hobart 6-3
Andean 5-2	Lake Central 3-4
Michigan City 6-3	Lowell 1-3

freshmen baseball

Gavit 4-0	Lowell 8-7
Lowell 1-11	Michigan City 3-4
Munster 3-12	Portage 1-6
Munster 5-15	Chesterton 10-11
Lake Central 2-8	Merrillville 3-16
Hammond Noll 15-5	Bishop Noll 8-5
Highland 4-7	Lowell 11-0
Merrillville 8-9	Valparaiso 7-5
Hobart 10-2	Lake Central 3-14
Hobart 3-14	Merrillville 4-6

varsity softball

Hammond Morton 12-8	Andean 0-10
Griffith 3-2	Hanover 0-2
Lowell 2-3	Michigan City 12-3
Lake Central 2-10	Portage 8-5
Michigan City 3-2	Merrillville 2-4
Portage 0-6	Hammond Morton 13-6
Kalamazoo 1-3	Munster 1-7
Dwagiac 3-2	LaPorte 4-5
Andean 0-1	Valparaiso 0-2
Merrillville 6-1	Chesterton 0-1
LaPorte 6-0	Hobart 2-0
Valparaiso 3-7	Highland 0-2
Chesterton 3-7	Sectional-Merrillville 2-5
Hobart 4-0	



J.V. Softball

Front row: Whitney Brown, Mindy Lakich, Melissa Machowicz, Melissa Cooper, Mallory Michaels **Second row:** Kendra Rather, Brooke Jones, Kelly Harlow, Jessica Massey, Jamie Jansen, Ashley Amodeo **Last row:** Coach Dana Bell, Cathy Yokovich, Wendy Kurcz, Coach John Gettler, Coach Chris Pepa

Boys' Varsity Golf

Front row: Mike Doolin, Brandon Skopelja, Chris Kutanovski, Chris Skaltsas, Brad Whitehead **Last row:** Ryan Kloss, Eric Peschke, Kyle Robbins, Charlie Festa, Nate Szymczak, Coach Art Equihua



Boys' J.V. Golf

Front row: Will Kolloway, Pat Spohr, Jimmy Orchowski, Nick Hoffman, Mike Ferraro **Last row:** Daniel Lambert, Chris Kutanovski, Kyle Robbins, Chris Scalasas, Brad Whitehead

j.v. softball

Griffith 5-4
Munster 1-2
Lowell 10-2
Lake Central 3-14
Michigan City 14-6
Portage 1-13
Mishawaka 9-0
Mishawaka 7-3
Merrillville 22-2
LaPorte 3-1
Valparaiso 6-7
Chesterton 2-0

Hobart 3-2
Hebron 5-0
Michigan City 11-5
Portage 4-5
Merrillville 5-1
Morton 9-3
Munster 12-0
LaPorte 2-1
Valparaiso 7-5
Chesterton 4-6
Andean 4-5
Hobart 6-0

Hobart 184-179
Chesterton 184-176

boys' j.v. golf

Hobart 188-203
Boone Grove 188-175

boys' varsity

Hall of Fame Classic 4th
Munster 159-163
Andean 156-160
Whiting 156-238
Jeff Classic Tournament 2nd
Lake Central 170-154
Hobart 162-164
Chesterton 162-168
Kankakee Valley Invite 2nd
Michigan City 159-168
Portage 159-168
Valparaiso 162-157
LaPorte 162-154



Girls' Varsity Tennis

Front row: Nikki Echterling, Asma Khalid, Colleen Drasga, Katelin Klepsch
Last row: Coach Deb Cuffia, Victoria Liss, Katie Chelap, Katie Kurowski, Coach Laura Neal

Girls' J.V. Tennis

Front row: Melissa Keifer, Lauren Kitchell, Becky Wilk, Gabrielle Fraire, Ann Walters, Amy Kennedy, Sidra Malik, Ashley Korsenowski
Last row: Erin Crowley, Lauren Tracy, Terri Rosenbaum, Coach Laura Neal, Dessa Rattray, Kelly Cowan, Veronica Dominguez



Athletic Office

Front row: Richard Svirha (Assistant Athletic Director), Mary Roth (Athletic Department Secretary), Jerry Caravana (Athletic Department Director)

golf

Rensselaer Invite 2nd
 Merrillville 155-184
 Valparaiso 160-163
 LaPorte 160-157
 Merrillville 164-182
 Michigan City 164-170
 Chesterton 148-168
 Portage 148-159
 Lake Central Invite 4th
 North Newton 176-184
 Griffith 176-196
 Hobart 153-157
 Sectionals 3rd

girls' varsity tennis

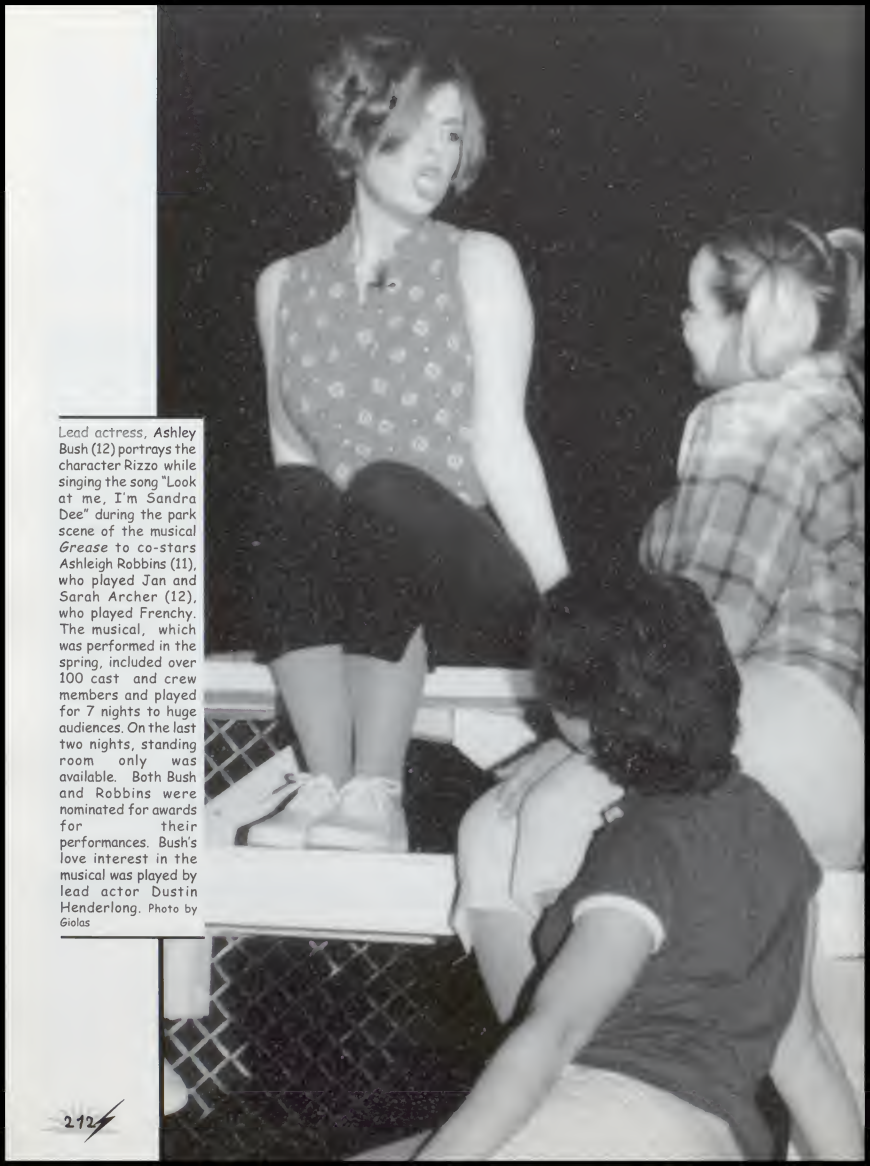
Lowell 3-2
 Munster 0-5
 Lake Central 0-5
 Highland 5-0
 Griffith 5-0
 Michigan City 0-5
 Chesterton 3-2
 Kankakee Valley 5-0
 LaPorte 0-5
 Hobart 5-0

Portage 5-0
 Valparaiso 3-2
 Merrillville 0-5
 Rensselaer 5-0
 Andean 3-2
 Sectionals-Calumet 5-0
 Sectional Finals-Griffith 4-1
 Regional-Munster 0-5

girls' j.v. tennis

Lowell 2-3
 Munster 1-4
 Lake Central 2-3
 Highland 5-0
 Griffith 2-0
 Michigan City 3-2
 Chesterton 4-1
 Kankakee Valley 5-0

LaPorte 1-4
 Hobart 5-0
 Portage 5-0
 Valparaiso 4-1
 Merrillville 4-1
 Rensselaer 5-0
 Andean 3-2



Lead actress, Ashley Bush (12) portrays the character Rizzo while singing the song "Look at me, I'm Sandra Dee" during the park scene of the musical *Grease* to co-stars Ashleigh Robbins (11), who played Jan and Sarah Archer (12), who played Frenchy. The musical, which was performed in the spring, included over 100 cast and crew members and played for 7 nights to huge audiences. On the last two nights, standing room only was available. Both Bush and Robbins were nominated for awards for their performances. Bush's love interest in the musical was played by lead actor Dustin Henderlong. Photo by Giolas

Mild Interest

Production courses recorded the daily lives from the perspective of the student through Mass Media, Suburban Roots, and publications. "Being on the newspaper staff was great. I learned a lot and made new friends. Our staff was fun to work with," said Josh Rattray (11).

Athletic organizations provided the recognition that members deserved for their athletic accomplishments through the Lettermen and Girls' Varsity clubs. At the conclusion of the year, all senior members were honored at a banquet held at the Avalon reception hall.

Honorary and service clubs not only rewarded those involved, but in most cases had a direct effect on the people surrounding them. "Key Club was a great opportunity which helped to bring together freshmen and seniors to help the community," said Kristin Frost (11).

Performance arts provided a needed artistic release for individuals interested in music and theatre. Orchestra, choir, and band practiced during school as well as after. In the long run, those practice hours paid off as the concert choir placed 5th in the state at a competition in May.

Foreign language clubs provided hours of fun and fellowship for their members, plus insight into other cultures. Daya Pillai (10) said, "My favorite part of Latin Club was probably how much we could give back to the community through volunteer work." —Melissa Mariola

Excalibur



"I was so proud of our staff. We started off with a good number of people, but by second semester we were reduced to a small group. Everyone worked so hard to make our book great!" Ashley Rhodes (12)

Publisher & Editors



"Being the editor of the yearbook staff has taught me the meaning of responsibility and dependability, two traits which will help me in whatever future I pursue." Melissa Mariola (12)

Slewtine



"The best thing about the staff was that we got along so well which made a comfortable, productive work environment." Erin Shanley (12)

Floor: Paul Fleming (1st sem.) **Front row:** Ashley Mann, Wendy Splitgerber, Farren Roark, Danielle Schott **Second row:** Sarah Pasyk, Katelin Klepsch, Veronica Dominguez (1st sem.), Karie Larsen, Lisa Knopf (1st sem.), Melissa Mariola, Stephanie Black **Third row:** Taryn Salmi, Katie Reid, Mrs. Rhonda Overbeeke, Jessica Koscielniak, Ashley Rhodes **Last row:** Dan Motkowicz (1st sem.), Chase Overbeeke (1st sem.) **Not pictured:** Lindsey Ciochina (2nd sem.), Lauren Hagberg (2nd sem.), Ashley Madajczyk (2nd sem.)

Front row: Kristina Chlebowska ("Inklings" Editor-in-Chief), Stephanie Black (Excalibur Student Life Editor), Melissa Mariola (Excalibur Editor-in-Chief), Asma Khalid ("Inklings" Associate Editor) **Second row:** Sarah Pasyk (Excalibur People Editor), Ashley Rhodes (Excalibur Design Editor), Wendy Splitgerber (Excalibur Academics Co-Editor), Farren Roark (Excalibur Academics Co-Editor), Veronica Dominguez (1st Semester Excalibur Photography Co-Editor) **Last row:** Katie Reid (Excalibur Sports Editor), Ashley Mann (Excalibur Clubs Editor), Jessica Koscielniak (Excalibur Photography Co-Editor), Becky Hamilton ("Inklings" Managing Editor) **Not Pictured:** Rosie Dvojacki (Excalibur Business Manager).

Front row: Erin Nault, Kelly Bielak, Erin Shanley, Lauren Miller, Ashley Bush, Lindsey Ciochina, Nikki Echterling **Second row:** Kristine Rasmussen, Ashleigh Robbins, Aimee Pancini, Melissa Baumgardner, Allison Witt, Mrs. Lisa Landgrebe **Third row:** Mr. George Tachtiris, Janelle Willoughby, Kristen Slepcevic, Chris Aiello **Fourth row:** Phil Rendina, Ryan Fleming, Eric Peschke, Matt Melton.

Sports Not

Eric Peschke (12) sits in the control booth editing footage. Peschke's favorite segment was doing commentary on basketball games.

Photo by Jessica Koscielniak

Learn Well

After surveying the most popular make-up brands, Ashley Bush (12) and Ashleigh Robbins (11) write a segment. Student surveys were an approach to researching. Photo by Jessica Koscielniak



Find the Perfect

Looking out the window onto the streets, Jessica Koscielniak (10) peers through the camera lens to take personal photographs of downtown Kansas City. As a first year staffer, she served as the photography editor for *Excalibur*. Some editors flew to Kansas City to attend the National Convention where they attended classes and award banquets and experienced the city. Photo by Ashley Rhodes

Addicted to Deadlines

Excalibur

Excalibur- Staffers came back to school

thinking about another year to muddle

Editors

through with the old computers. To their

surprise the school bought 22 new Apple G4's, two

new printers, two scanners, and a digital camera for

**CPHS
Showtime**

the publications lab.

"The day the new computers came we were all so excited. Melissa Mariola could not contain herself. We spent the entire hour unpacking and smashing the packaging that they came in," said Sarah Pasyk (11). Throughout the year the staff went to three conventions at Kansas City, Franklin, and Ball State. "I thought Kansas City was a blast and the hotel was awesome. The only part I didn't like was when we went out to dinner and someone stole my twinkie!" said Stephanie Black (12).

Showtime- Covering everything from sports to crafts, the *Showtime* staff searched for excitement that went on during the school week. The students soon found out the difficulties that came with producing a weekly show. "Sometimes there was nothing going on in school, meaning it was hard to find topics to report on," said Ashley Bush (12). The staff got along really well which helped ease the stress of the show.

"My friends were involved which made it a learning experience that was also fun," said Kristine Rasmussen (12).

-Jessica Koscielniak



Find the

Senior *Excalibur* staff members, Melissa Mariola, Ashley Rhodes and Stephanie Black, gather for a quick picture in the window overpass of downtown Kansas City. The covered tunnels connected their convention hall center to the hotel where classes were taken. Photo submitted by Melissa Mariola

Sub. Roots

Streaks of Success

Quill & Scroll

Suburban Roots- The inaugural year of Suburban Roots produced a large

Inklings

outpouring of writers, artists and musicians showing their original pieces. Mr. Chad Bush (English) and Mr. Donald Bernacky (history) were the club's sponsors. Bernacky said, "The

purpose of Suburban Roots was to reshape our entire community's view of its cultural identity. We wanted people to view themselves as the producers of their culture and not merely consumers."

Quill and Scroll- As an honor society for journalism students, Quill and Scroll offered a chance for individuals to receive special recognition during graduation ceremony. "It was such an honor to be in Quill and Scroll. It showed the dedication that I put into my work as a high school journalist," said Ashley Rhodes (12). Members qualified for the society by being ranked in the top third of their class, and involved in journalism for two years.

Inklings- The newspaper created an outlet for students to

express their views. Staff members passed out the *Inklings* during lunch periods. Andrea Jacobs (12) said, "The best part of being on staff was learning how to work as a team."

The newspaper won an International First Place from the Quill and Scroll, several Harvey Awards, and a first place from the American Scholastic Press. -Erica Byrd



At the Mic

James Jared (10) reads his poem as Mark Cooper (10) plays the bongos at a Suburban Roots meeting. Jared said, "My favorite thing about Suburban Roots was the fact that such a wide range of people could attend." Photo by Sarah Pasyk

Sing Along

During a meeting, Jessica Meyer (12) plays the guitar while Lindsey Valentino (12) sings along. Valentino was one of the music directors of Suburban Roots. Photo by Sarah Pasyk

Sweet It

To become members of Quill and Scroll, Trey Williams (11), Kyle Long (11) and Andrea Jacobs (12) blow out their candles after the induction. The ceremony was a part of the annual banquet. Photo by Giasol



Staff Meeting

Debating over different layouts, Kristina Chlebowski (12), Becky Hamilton (12), and Asma Khalid (11) look over a page in the *Inklings* prior to publication. Chlebowski said, "The most memorable moments were during our layout nights when we stayed really late. We were stressed out and tired and would laugh at anything said." Photo by R. Overbeeke





Front row: Michael Finney, Kathleen Shaw, Sarah Whiteside, Nectaria Aliferakis, Lauren Angel, Nikki Luebcke, Jessica Koscielniak, Mr. Don Bernacki **Second row:** Sarah Pasyk, Lindsay Valentino, Jessica Meyer, John Backe, Cassie Andrews, Nikki Lee, James Jared, Mark Cooper, Joe Sabato **Third row:** Luke Bapple, Amanda Valentino, Dala Duffala, Kara Gora, Kathy Kutanovski, Carly Link, Shannon Morfin, Colleen Drasga **Last row:** Pierce Overbeeke, Ashley Bush, Dustin Henderlong, Kyung Min, Jim Walsh, Cory Driver, Chris Morrow, Matt Pressel, Judson Schmucker, David Davison

Kristina Chlebowski, Ashley Rhodes, Melissa Mariola, Carissa Klingberg
Not Pictured: Asma Khalid

Floor - Kristina Chlebowski, Nikki Luebcke **Front row:** Becky Hamilton, Andrea Jacobs, Josh Rattray, Kitty Damanskis **Second row:** Kyle Long, Jessica Bixeman, Danielle Porrett, Asma Khalid, Aimee Pancini, Kristin Frank, Ryan Wilson **Last row:** Kelly Sapita, Mrs. Rhonda Overbeeke, Maritza Mota

Suburban Roots



"My favorite thing about Suburban Roots was meeting new people who had the same interests as I did." Kyung Min (12), Suburban Roots

Quill & Scroll



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Underclass GVC



*"I joined GVC because it was a great opportunity to recognize fellow female athletic talents."
 Lindsay Gora (10), Underclass GVC*

FCA



Advisor - Keith Iddings
*"FCA was not really labeled as a club. It was really just a bunch of kids hungry for more of God."
 Andrea Jacobs (12), FCA*

First row: Nicole Nowaczyk, Melissa Mariola, Lindsey Ciochina, Kristen Grompone, Amanda Sprehe, Nicole Frost **Second row:** Jessica Ohlenkamp, Valarie Schweitzer, Jessica Frank, Ericka Nance, Laura Warne **Third row:** Jen Dienes, Kelli Hein, Jeanette Rosenwinkel, Kathy Kutanovski, Christina Sanford **Last row:** Nikki Borys, Julie Steinberg, Sarah Zondor, Katie Kurowski, Katie Chelap.

Front row: Carolyn Simko, Amanda Ketcher, Diedra Paitzell, Lacy Holevis, Sarah Vickers, Heather Forney **Second row:** Emily Booth, Dana Hernick, Joell Dixon, Kathleen Shaw, Kelly Rediger, Jorie Arnold, Sarah Pyle, Tara Menacher **Third row:** Ashley Plumley, Amy Zondor, Liz Mowry, Nikki Aubuchon, Dessa Rattray, Amanda Schaller, Julie Gettler **Fourth row:** Sarah Myers, Shana Schmelter, Liz Lewis, Jen Schaafsma, Janel Heneghan, Ashley Angelini, Lindsay Gora **Last row:** Alex Webster, Jessica Koscielniak, Carly Link, Kelley Thorsen, Megan Vega, Lisa Diederich.

Front row: Missy Kiefer, Andrew Sager, Nick Doffin, Nikki Lee, Natalie Williams, Caitlin Walsh, Lauren Jacobs **Second row:** Andrea Jacobs, Dala Duffala, Jessica Back, Rachel Smith, Laurie Leonard, Steven Schelfo, Mr. Keith Iddings **Third row:** Erin Horjus, Rachel Easton, Amy Enslin, Danielle Brueck, Steve Hamilton, Kristine Rasmussen, Christina Sanford **Last row:** Stephanie Walhberg, Stacy Kwilas, Ryan Voyles, Jim Walsh, Cory Driver, Mike Stanek, Brent Brown, Andy Collins.

Crowd Wines

Rachel Peyovich (12), Katie Kurowski (12), and Sarah Zondor (12) ride a float in the Homecoming parade. The three members were the elected officers of GVC. Photo by Melissa Mariola

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Preparing for a meeting, Andrea Jacobs (12) and Rachel Easton (12) read through sheet music. FCA gathered once a week to praise God through song. Photo by Katelin Klepsch

Athletes Work at Group Unity

Girls' Varsity Club- The red and white patched jacket created a proud representation of the efforts put forth by the members of the Girls' Varsity Club. Liz Lewis (11) said, "Getting my athletic jacket was what I liked most about being in the club."

With over sixty participants, GVC was also a way to meet fellow students with similar interests. "It was a chance to be involved in your school and become friends with others who were not in your social group," said Nicole Nowaczyk (12).

At the senior banquet held on April 5, Sarah Zonder received the Senior Female Athlete of the Year award.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes- "It's all about Him," was the motto for the group of students who took time out of their day before school to praise God. The group shared scripture readings and found applied them to their everyday lives, according to Kristine Rasmussen (12). She said, "I enjoyed praising and lifting up my Savior, Jesus, before I started a day of school."

The group sponsored a child from Africa by providing food, clothing, and educational support. "We wrote to this child and he wrote us back. He was only 7, and the simplicity of helping him learn about the world brought something special to our lives," said Andrea Jacobs (12). **-Katelin Klepsch**

Senior
GVC

Under
GVC

FCA



Achievements

At the fall sports awards banquet, Mary Balmas (12) and Kathy Kutanovski (12) receive their MVP awards from Coach Mike Malaski (English). "I was happy to have received the award because it was my last year," said Kutanovski. Photo by Stephanie Black

Group Prayer

Members of the FCA huddle with a guest speaker and pray before school begins. The group members said they applied God's word to their lives for better understanding and then acted upon the advice given through His word. The group also worked on projects outside of school. Photo by Jessica Koscielniak

Senior LMC

Hard Work Pays Off

Under LMC

Lettermen's Club- Varsity participants sported their Lettermen's jackets to show off their talents and achievements.

Trainers

About 130 guys were active in this club for major letter winners.

Chris Seleski (11) said, "I lettered in soccer during my sophomore year to become a member." Although the group never met for meetings, they attended many activities such as award banquets and professional or college sporting events.

Along with the GVC, senior varsity members of the Lettermen's club were chosen to attend a luncheon at the Radisson where they heard a speech by Norm VanLeer. To reduce the cost for these events, it was mandatory for members to sell candy.

Trainers- Trainers sought to help athletes with injuries and training. Trainer Joe Gettler (9) said, "I liked helping people out the most. Without us, all the teams would have fallen apart from



too many injuries."

Becoming a trainer enabled students who were not athletes to still be involved. Amanda Schaller (9) said, "I was not a great athlete, but I wanted to be part of the athletic program so I became a trainer." With all the help they provided, trainers were a significant part of the athletic program. **-Karie Larsen**

Thinking Out

Bryce Segert (12), with Andreas Pergher (10), plays varsity soccer. Segert said, "I earned my lettermen's jacket my freshman year. I had to work hard to earn the honor. I am very proud of my accomplishments and the jacket helps me show it." Photo by Giolas

Thinking Out

Dessa Rattray (9) wraps an ankle. Rattray said, "Being a trainer, I met new people, traveled a lot, and meanwhile earned a varsity letter." Photo by Karie Larsen

Let's Letter

Before basketball practice, Mr. Trent Trump (Athletic Trainer) tapes an ankle. "I truly enjoyed working with high school students," said Mr. Trump. Photo by Karie Larsen



Little by Little

Ryan Orzechowicz (11) talks to Kara Gora (11) and Veronica Dominguez (11) in the parking lot after school. Orzechowicz said, "When I wore my lettermen's jacket, I felt special. It reminded me that I accomplished something and it was an honor to receive the jacket and to get letters on it." Photo by Karie Larsen



Front row: Dave Thomas, Brian Walter, Steve Dixon, Steve McColley, Mike Ellch, Brian Hiller, Bret Govert **Second row:** Mr. Jerry Caravana, Nate Reilly, Tony Schoeffel, Joseph Cervantes, Scott Qualizza, Bill Schmidt **Third row:** Kelly Miller, Brian Pante, Dale Wagner, Jeff Powers, Jason Roberts, Conrad Harris **Last row:** Nick Paulauski, Dan Knaga, Aaron Kennedy, Dan Smith, Bryce Segert, Tom West

First row: Bobby Rutherford, Matt Zaleski, Sean O'Drobinak, Mark Baumgardner, Kelly Fricke, Chris Seleski, Matt Tomczak **Second row:** Ryan Allen, Ed Klingberg, Danny Mellis, Matt Wise, Garret Willis, Bob Bees, Matt Beilfuss, Kevin Sendre, Dale Packard, Rob Bruno **Third row:** Joe Gettler, Paul Schmidt, Bryan Kowert, Ryan Orzechowicz, Matt Ruble, Steve Hamilton, Kevin Kash, Thomas Cornelius, Andrew Wring **Fourth row:** Chris Arges, Matt Melton, Brian Stokoski, Jose Desiderio, Brian Wheeler, Mike Stanek, Kyle Knutson, Brent Brown, Kevin Klein, Troy Bush **Last row:** Sean Cash, Doug Conley, Cameron Reeves, Brad Wilson, Chris Sprehe, Sam Downs, Dustin Quering, Branko Alavanja, Craig Lozanovski

Front row: Joe Gettler, Amanda Schaller **Last row:** Dessa Rattray, Julie Gettler, Tara Wietbrock, Rachel Peyovich

Senior Lettermen



Advisor- Mr. Jerry Caravana **Secretary-** T.J. Pruzin
President- Ryan Wilkinson **Treasurer-** Bret Govert
Vice President- Bill Schmidt **Sergeant-at-Arms-** Brian Hiller

Underclass Lettermen



"When I wore my lettermen's jacket, I felt honored to be part of our proud history. I also got a sense of pride because I worked very hard for two years to get that coat." Bryan Kowert (11), LMC

Athletic Trainers



"I did not want to be part of the crowd, I wanted to be part of the action even if I was not part of the team. As a trainer, I am right down there with all the action." Tara Wietbrock (9), Trainer

Upper Student Council



*Student Council President -
Student Council Vice-President
Student Council Secretary -
Student Council Treasurer -*

*Lindsey Ciocchina (12)
- Ashley Bush (12)
Ashley Rhodes (12)
Melissa Mariola (12)*

Front row: Ashleigh Robbins, Erin Crowley, Melissa Mariola, Ashley Bush, Jamie Pierce, Lauren Hostinsky, Lindsey Ciocchina, Natalie Nix, Deanna Likens, Stephanie Tithof **Second row:** Kathleen Shaw, Kristine Rasmussen, Kelly Manfred, Kristen Grompone, Jessica Ohlenkamp, Kara Gora, Nicole Frost, Karie Larsen, Amy Enslen **Third row:** Kelly Cowan, Ashley Plumley, Ashley Rhodes, Courtney Warren, Allison Bishop, Colleen Genetos, Melissa Baumgardner, Sarah Roth **Last row:** Chris Seleski, Mike Ellch, Nick Dimos, Steve Hamilton, Tim Samples, Mike Zurbruggen, Justin Miller, Bryan Cuculich

Lower Student Council



*"I was in student council because I was interested in government and it was a good experience."
Emily Corbin (10), Lower Student Council*

Front row: Jena Dines, Laura Retson, Kelly Sapita, Elizabeth Camp, Lindsey Morfin **Second row:** Mary Anderson, Tracy Johnson, John Fister, Jamie Jansen **Last row:** Miladin Crnkovic, Kristin Sautter, Keri Cuculich, Emily Corbin, Sean Cash

Booster Club



"It was a lot of fun to make decisions and work together with all the girls to make the school more fun." Ashley Bush (12), Booster Club

Front row: Megan Vega, Jorie Arnold, Brieger Buckley, Becky Wick, Ashley Bush, Kelly Manfred, Jamie Petersen **Second row:** Erin Shanley, Lauren Hostinsky, Lindsey Ciocchina, Jamie Pierce, Natalie Nix, Katie Bieker, Melissa Mariola, Lauren Miller, Jessica Ohlenkamp **Third row:** Heather Burke, Farren Roark, Kristine Rasmussen, Nicole Nowaczyk, Amber Walters, Hillary Landis, Ashleigh Goetz, Rachel Nix, Sheena Sum, Kelly Davis **Fourth row:** Wendy Splitterger, Tracy Werblo, Erin Hostinsky, Angie Tsikouris, Emily Corbin, Liz Schmitz, Jenn Anderson, Stephanie Tithof, Katie Logreco **Last row:** Megan Reid, Sarah Schueneman, Lauren Rhodes, Wendy Kurcz, Dessa Ratray, Carolyn Dienes, Ashley Rhodes, Leslee Zona



School Spirit

Preparing for homecoming, Lindsey Ciochina (12) decorates a sheet with senior football players names. The sheets hung behind the stands at home games. Photo by Ashley Rhodes

Three Act

While decorating for Christmas, Elizabeth Camp (10) steadies herself on the ladder to hang lights on the tree. Members presented Snickers bars to students before break. Photo by Ashley Rhodes



Children

In the auditorium, Kelly Cowan (11) and Carly Link (11) take a break from touring to answer any general questions about high school from their group of eighth graders. Student Council representatives spent two days in February showing the incoming students around the school. Photo by Melissa Mariola



Combined Effort

Upper
Student
Council

Lower
Student
Council

Booster
Club

Booster Club- By revolving their actions around the student body, Booster Club made special moments more memorable and every day more unforgettable.

In the fall, Booster Club transformed the gym into a New York themed backdrop for the 2000 Homecoming dance. "We met once a week for about two months to prepare and to make the decorations. Then at six o'clock on the morning of the dance, we went to set everything up," said President Natalie Nix (12). Booster Club also decorated the lockers of athletes when they reached state levels and together with Student Council organized plans for Turnabout activities.

Student Council- With all the activities that Student Council executed, they were named as an Indiana Honor Council for the third consecutive year. "We tried to create community spirit and get people involved in school to make it better for everyone," said Vice-President Ashley Bush (12).

Besides distributing candy and decorating at Christmas, Student Council sponsored the annual blood drive where they attained 134 pints of blood. Members transformed the library into a blood bank with tables and refreshments. Later in the year with help from other clubs, they painted four garbage cans to promote school activities. Danielle Dravet (10) said, "I liked being involved with the school and wanted to help in any way I could." -**Dan Motkowicz**



Sign Up

Laura Retson (10) and Melissa Meyers (9) pick up an agenda and a quick bite to eat before the council meeting. Meetings were held every other Wednesday before school at 6:50 to discuss important issues and to form committees. Photo by Karie Larsen

Key Club

Helping the Community

Key Club- Throughout the year, Key Club **SADD** kept busy planning activities to help other people such as Kiss the Pig, Happy

HERO.

Halloween, Relay For Life, Read and Lead, and Habitat for Humanity. Tim Bosel (11) said, "I loved the fact that I had the chance to help people and make a difference in their lives. It gave me a really great feeling."

H.E.R.O. - Along with going to school half-day and working half-day, H.E.R.O. collaborated to think of ways to help the community. During the holidays, the club participated in a food and clothing drive as well as Angel Tree collections. The members were involved with a St. Patrick's Day celebration and the March of Dimes Walk America. "H.E.R.O. expanded the education outside of the classroom which, in my opinion, completed the circle," said Justin Whitesell (12).

S.A.D.D. - Newly founded by Melissa Mariola (12), Stephanie Black (12), and Ashley Rhodes (12), Students Against Destructive Decisions was created to support the student body in making healthy choices.



Kiss the Pig

During the half-time of a boys' basketball game, Mr. Bob Conard (Science) feeds a treat to a pig. The "Kiss the Pig" activity was an annual project of the Key Club. Photo by Ashley Rhodes

"Something needed to be done in our school to get people away from drugs and drinking," said Liz Lewis (11). S.A.D.D. was involved in activities such as organizing a Candlelight Vigil. -

Ashley Mann

Green Tech

Collecting recycling bins, Natalie Holtzinger (9), Jessica Cunningham (9), and Teddy Beyer (10) head back downstairs. Key Club picked up the bins twice a month. Photo by Ashley Mann

Low Income

H.E.R.O. students Erin Kirk (12), Lauren Surber (12), and Tanja Pejovski (12) wheel a cart full of food. They gathered the food for needy families during Thanksgiving. Photo by Wendy Splittgerber



Love Buttons

Making valentine buttons, Ashley Rhodes (12) helps Stephanie Black (12) at a desk in the cafeteria. The buttons, which stated "I Don't Drink and Drive because I Love..." were S.A.D.D.'s first fundraising activity. Photo by Chase Overbeeke



Front row: Ryan Forsythe, Sarah Grant, Jill Echterling, Carolyn Simko, Ashley Mann, Jena Dines, Erica DeGoey, Emilee Bilka, Kyung Min
Second row: Marisa Fernandez, Francine Humbert, Sarah Khan, Sidra Malik, Meredith Swan, Alexis Charizopoulos, Kathleen Shaw, Erin Crowley, Katelin Klepsch, Danielle Schott, Krysta Zielinski, Alexis Crissinger, TJ Strick, Katie Rock
Third row: Danielle Porrett, Jessica Cunningham, Emily Monacelli, Georganne Weber, Jessica Serman, Sarah Carr, Melissa Myres, Kate Pawlus, Jeanette Rosenwinkel, Kristin Frost, Kelly Sankowski, Michelle Baloski, Jill Ballard, Carissa Klingberg
Fourth row: Asma Khalid, Carly Link, Shannon Morfin, Ashley Plumley, Karie Larsen, Keri Cuculich, Colleen Drasga, Angela Spadoni, Janel Heneghan, Brittney Smith, Rachel Hamende, Amber Jansson, Jessica Koscielniak, Jared Persinger
Last row: Amy Enslin, Wendy Kurez, Emily Corbin, Sarah Schueneman, Rick Sauerman, Mike Stanek, Brent Brown, Jenn Obszanski, Laura Dragoin, Tim Bosel, Andrew Aliferakis, Nectaria Aliferakis, Trey Williams, Joah Ackermann, Kelly Cowan.

Front row Tim Samples, Courtney Svihra, Esther White **Second row** Lauren Surber, Trisha Burditt, Jessica Kelsey, Valerie Lijana, Justin Whitesell, Wes Derks, Kimiko Ostrozovich **Third row:** Erin Kirk, Tanja Pejowski, Laura Warne, Robin Schilling, Danielle Spear **Fourth row:** Mrs. Sharon Aldrich, Susi Mann, Matt Helfen, Jennifer Kalembo **Last row:** Dave Thomas, Emily Steiger, Mike Kipp.

Front row: Sarena Ventura, Melissa Mariola, Ashley Rhodes, Kristen Grompone, Kelly Rediger **Second row:** Kristine Rasmussen, Natalie Nix, Nectaria Aliferakis, Katie Metros, Lauren Miller, Nicole Nowaczky **Last row:** Lauren Hostinsky, Jamie Pierce, Ashley Bush, Liz Lewis, Chris Coe, Kathleen Shaw.

Key Club



President - Kristin Frost (11)
Vice-President - Asma Khalid (11)
Secretary - Meredith Swan (11)
Treasurer - Erin Crowley (11)

F.I.T.C.



President - Justin Whitesell (12)
Vice-President - Lauren Surber (12)
Secretary - Tim Samples (12)
Treasurer - Mimi Steiger (12) & Jen Kalembo (12)

S.A.D.D.



"I joined S.A.D.D. because my mother and sister were killed in a drunk driving crash, and I felt that this program would help people become more aware of their actions." -Kathleen Shaw (11)

Kiwanian Techniques



"Almost every time Jessica Frank (12) and I went (to the hospital), one of the guys would call me Jessica or ask me about soccer or swimming. He could never get it right." Valarie Schweitzer (12), Kiwanian

Boys' & Girls' State



"The best thing about Boys' and Girls' State was meeting people who were similar to you and getting to know them." Bryan Cuculich (12), Boys' State

Boys' & Girls' State



Advisors - Mr. Don Bernacky and Mr. Chad Bush
President - Mary Parker (12)
Vice-President - Courtney Warren (12)
Secretary - Jessica Koscielniak (10)

Front row: Kelly Davis, Jessica Ohlenkamp, Melissa Mariola, Lindsey Ciochina, Kelli Hein **Second row:** Nick Dimos, Jennifer Dienes, Kristine Rasmussen, Jessica Frank, Valarie Schweitzer **Third row:** Sarah Zondor, Rachel Peyovich, Tony Schoeffel, Nikki Borys, Bill Schmidt **Fourth row:** T.J. Pruzin, Jim Walsh, Cory Driver, Robby Schrum

Front row: Mary Parker, Anna Jessen, Kristine Rasmussen **Last row:** Adam Eich, Bryan Cuculich, Matt Boyd

Front row: Jamie Petersen, Kelly Manfred, Heather Forney, Angie Spadoni, Kelly Cowan **Second row:** Carissa Klingberg, Kristine Rasmussen, Mr. Don Bernacky **Third row:** Mary Parker, Courtney Sertich, Kelley Thorsen, Jose Desiderio, Courtney Warren, Alice Ziesenis **Fourth row:** Jill Ballard, Jessica Koscielniak, Marina Goreski, Alexis Charizopoulous, Laura Barkalow, Michael Finney **Last row:** Judson Schmucker, Chris Seleski, Kyung Min

Mid-By Month

Scott Qualizza (12) gets into a car to go to Youche Country Club. Qualizza, a Rotarian, spent the month of January at the lunch-ins.

Photo by Melissa Mariola

One Bears

Courtney Warren (12), Kelly Cowan (11), and Angela Spadoni (11) collect bears for Peer As Resource. The bears were donated to the police department. Photo by Asma Khalid



Be By Five

During a Peer as Resource charity event, Chris Seleski (11) helps gather teddy bears for children who find themselves at the police station for one reason or another. Seleski said, "The best thing about the club was that we got to give back to the community and make a positive difference in many people's lives."

Photo by Asma Khalid

A Sample of Real Life

Kiwanians/Rotarians- Sponsors and coaches chose a student to represent their respective programs. Each student representative met with community members in hopes of bridging the generation gap. Students also presented information concerning their future plans, and in May attended an awards banquet.

Boys' & Girls' State- Students interviewed and were appointed during their junior year. Then in June, they took part in a week-long, mock government exercise held at Indiana State University. Students from all over the state also attended. Kristine Rasmussen said, "The best thing was having the chance to meet so many outgoing people."

Peer As Resource- Although their primary function included tutoring other students, the club also met once a month to plan activities to help out the community. "We had a teddy bear drive so less fortunate children could get a hug that would last forever," said Chris Seleski (11). During the fall, the club collected money for Jake, an elementary school student with cancer whose insurance company had stopped covering his treatment. "The most glorifying act in life was reaching out of your own life to help another," said J.D. Schmucker (12). **-Ashley Mann**

Kiwanians
&
Rotarians

Boys' &
Girls'
State

Peer As
Resource



Elect Her

In Indianapolis, Anna Jessen (12) sits in on a mock-government meeting. Jessen was elected to be in the House of Representatives.

Photo submitted by Anna Jessen

Auto Club

Academic Experience

Math Club

Auto Club- During the cold winter months, students, teachers, and community residents took their cars into

the auto shop for the annual free Winter Car Check, sponsored by Mr. Robert Belei and the Auto Club members. The young mechanics checked everything from the tire pressure to basic fluids. Auto Club students also performed more complicated tasks such as rebuilding engines. Pat Mulhern (11) said, "I joined Auto Club because I liked to work on cars, but many people joined for schooling as a auto mechanic or engineer." Also, the club held its annual car show in April.

Math Club- Gathering in Mrs. Nancy May's class, students prepared to answer six questions in thirty minutes. Once a month, Math Club members took a test to see how the school ranked in math education. The top scores of students were ranked individually and collectively against competing schools in Indiana.



Champion

Auto Club President Rob Doty (12) and Nick Kristoff (11) build a float before the parade. The club entered to join the Homecoming festivities.

Photo by Farren Reark

At the Chesterton Math Invitational, the selected team placed first. Jared Persinger (12) said, "I joined Math Club because the Mathletes are actually the coolest people in the school." Students in Advanced Algebra or higher could compete. "It sounded pretty boring in theory, but I enjoyed myself," said Dan Stanko (10), Math Club's high scorer. **-Ashley Madajczyk**

Unlabeled

Bent over the engine, Rick Slanina (11) rewires his truck during Auto Club. Slanina said, "I enjoyed being able to see my friends and work on my car after school." Photo by Gialas

Tool Shed

Adjusting a windshield wiper, Nick Kristoff (11) works on his car in Auto Shop. Nick planned to use what he learned in Auto Club for a future career in mechanics. Photo by Gialas



Tip Sheet

Punching the buttons of his calculator, Justin Miller (12) focuses on completing his advanced mathematics assignment. Miller said, "Being in the Math Club gave me the opportunity to measure my skills with the skills of other students throughout the state and in the school." Photo by Ashley Mann

Auto Club



Front row: Kippy Burditt, Nick Grube, Nick Kristoff **Second row:** Joel Roeber, Doug Conley, Tom Lewis, Mr. Robert Belei **Last row:** Rob Doty, Royce Hamende, Kevin Frazier.

Advisor - Mr. Robert Belei
President - Rob Doty (12)
Vice-President - Nick Grube (12)

Math Club



Front row: Kristine Rasmussen, Carissa Klingberg, Jill Ballard **Second row:** Katie Metros, Melissa Mariola, Lindsey Ciochina, Renee Rysiewicz, Amber Bacavis **Third row:** Nicholas Dimos, Kristen Pavlovick, Dave Thomas, Mike Ellch **Fourth row:** Justin Miller, Ryan Fleming, Travis Smith, Chip Walter, Karissa Guyer **Fifth row:** Matt Boyd, Cory Driver, Jared Persinger, Robby Schrum, Peter Bessette, John Horst.

"I like the challenge of the Math Team contest the most. We submit tests to see how we score against other Indiana schools." John Horst (11), Math Club

Psychology Club



Front row: Melissa Seneczko, Jill Ballard, Caitlin Meyer, Laurie Leonard, Courtney Sertich **Second row:** Shannon Morphin, Carly Link, Judson Schmucker, Kristen Grompone, Ashley Bush, Amanda Bernard **Third row:** Chrissy Hodorowich, Kyung Min, Jim Gibson, Kim Podowski **Fourth row:** Aaron Kennedy, Dave Huber, Bryan Schafer, Brad Bonich.

Psychology Club was supposed to happen in the spring, but it was something that many students looked forward to." Sara Chant (11), Psychology Club

Perer Society



Directors- Deanna Likens (*Community Service*), Melissa Mariola (*Publicity*), Natalie Nix (*Leadership*), Jim Walsh (*Character Education*), Mike Salazar (*Recognition Programs*), Jen Dienes/Lindsey Ciochina (*Scholarships*), Nick Dimos (*School Service*), Cory Driver (*Financial Affairs*).

Symphonic Band



"Symphonic Band was a great experience. I learned a bunch while having lots of fun." Katie Van Sessen (11), *Symphonic Band*

Chamber Orchestra



"Playing the violin takes hard work and dedication, but the outcome is worth it." Amanda Ketcher (11), *Chamber Orchestra*

Front row: Deanna Likens, Anna Jessen, Carissa Klingberg, Natalie Johnsen, Natalie Nix, Lauren Hostinsky, Lindsey Ciochina, Kelly Manfred, Jamie Petersen, Amanda Sprehe, Katie Metros **Second row:** Mrs. Lisa Landorebe, Katie Reid, Valerie Schweitzer, Laura Warne, Jeanette Rosenwinkel, Kristine Rasmussen, Jessica Frank, Sarah Zondor, Sarah Roth, Katie Kuroski, Jenny Maynard, Michael Salazar **Third row:** Emily Schramm, Tasha Beauchamp, Mary Balmes, Susan Ilgin, Becky Guenther, Kristen Pavlovick, Jennifer Dienes, Rachel Easton, Kristina Chlebowski, Melissa Mariola, Mike Knaao **Last row:** Bryan Cuculich, Justin Miller, Travis Smith, Chip Walter, Bill Schmidt, Emily Steiger, Karissa Guyer, Adam Eich, Kyle Klobucar, Jim Walsh, Cory Driver, Robby Schrum

Front row: Katie VanSessen, Megan Mulholland, Stephanie Hardman, Jenny Barr, Deanna Likens, Anna Jessen, Michelle Retson, Lea Velich, Rachel Smith, Emily Schramm, Jenny Maynard **Second row:** Nasema Mohammed, Katie Metros, Meredith Swan, Ashley Amodeo, Amy Enslin, Lindsey Ciochina, Nick Dimos, Kristen Pavlovick, Angela Tedesco, Giulia Vicari, Merv Barenie, Matt Eaton, Andy Balicki, Steve Hamilton **Third row:** Garret Willis, Brooke Graczyk, Jeremy Kras, Katy Huys, Amy Marsh, Celia Gura, Erin Andershock, Katie Adams, Collette Ivey, Kelly Sankowski, Emily James, Jill Ballard, Emily Tromp, Sarah Lankford, Mark Baumgardner **Fourth row:** Adam Romonek, Jeff Lambert, Aaron Faulstich, Jason Daseler, Adam Kern, Bryan Martin, Peter Besette, Julie Steinberg, Nicole Frost, Kevin LaDuke, Josh Damjanovic, Brian Price, Brian Giacomini, Russ St. Myers, Cory Driver **Last row:** Curt Schreiber, John Diekelmann, Liz Beemsterboer, Karissa Guyer, John Horst, Dave Huber, Alex Keeney, Adam Eich, Matt Boyd, Nolan Szalmasagi, Paul Fleming, Joe Genischer, Dustin Henderlong, Robby Schrum

Front row: Melissa Lucas, Melissa Burgess, Natalie Johnsen, Amanda Ketcher, Bethany Ketcher **Second row:** Kim Stegall, Amber Bacavis, Giulia Vicari, Renee Sysiewicz, Jill Paloncy, Nick Doffin **Third row:** Kera Bryst, Meagan Plants, Steven Andreoli **Fourth row:** Mike Ferraro, Mr. James Deal, Andy Wirtz

The Line

As part of her community service requirement, Kristina Chlebowski (12) plays with preschoolers in her CCD class. Chlebowski taught a class in the Saint Agnes Center at Saint Mary's School. Photo by Ashley Mann

Introduce

Emily Steiger (12) sews a plate on a ballet tutu. Being in ballet, Steiger loved to help out and completed more than thirty community service hours instead of the needed five per semester. Photo by Ashley Mann

Overachievers Help Out

Honor Society

Symphonic Band

Chamber Orchestra

Honor Society- If a student wanted to be in Honor Society, he had to fulfill several requirements: maintain a 3.25 grade point average, exhibit leadership ability, participate in community service activities and acquire teacher recommendations. Each student had to fill out a lengthy form and submit it to Mrs. Lisa Landgrebe (English) who, with a board of teachers, reviewed each student's application and chose which students would be able to be a part of the club.

Each student had to prove that they had been involved in at least five hours of community service per semester. "I participated in Adopt-A-Family, organized by Mrs. (Deb) Ciochina (English), where students bought items for needy families for Christmas," said Katie Kurowski (12). In order to prove the service, the students had to bring in a letter signed by an adult. The letter had to include the number of hours the student worked and the adult's phone number so Mrs. Landgrebe could call and verify the work.

In addition, Honor Society helped out with other school activities. They took care of the school's Academic Wall of Fame and helped with the Relay For Life fundraiser. -Ashley Mann



Test & Listen

Following their agendas, Nick Dimos (12), and Jen Dienes (12) listen during an Honor Society meeting. The group met once a month and officers usually met twice a month. Photo by Melissa Mariola

Choosing It's

Looking over a stapled packet, Chris Humbert (12) decides which t-shirt he likes best. Honor Society considered picking out a t-shirt design from a magazine that included other possible fundraising items, but later voted against the order.

Photo by Melissa Mariola

Thespians

Deserving of Applause

ETC

Thespians- In order to be a part of the Thespian Society, a student needed to earn ten points. Points were earned

Speech Team

by involvement with a theatrical production. The number of points earned was determined by the role in the show. Robby Schrum (12), who had been involved with seven productions, said "My favorite show was *Grease*. I had the opportunity to play a perfect role for me. My senior show was just terrific overall."

ETC- Being a Thespian automatically made individuals Encore Theater Company members, but ETC also included those who had not reached a Thespian ranking. ETC raised money for things needed for productions such as new lights, set construction, equipment, paint, costumes, furniture, and props. ETC members sold t-shirts, candy, and Krispy Kremes. Thespian officers led all ETC meetings.

Speech Team- At practices, Ms. Peggy Matanic (English)

helped the team improve their speeches and determine the motivation needed for the speech.

Amber Bacavis (10) said, "Improvisation was great because it was like talking to the audience. Duo pieces were interesting because you played off your partner." The speech team won three trophies. -

Taryn Salmi

The Fat Wal

Helping to construct a platform for the *Rumors* set, Joe Gerischer (11) measures the correct length of wood. Gerischer had been a part of ETC for two years. Photo by Gias

Electing Set

While being sarcastic, the T-birds and Pink Ladies from the musical *Grease* sing a parody of their Almatamers' song in the opening act. Dustin Henderlong (12) led the T-birds as Kinickie, and Ashley Bush (12) led the Pink Ladies as Rizzo. Photo by Gias



Team Effort

In the school cafeteria, Amber Bacavis (10), Renee Rysiewicz (10) and Stephanie Dennis (10) sell cookies, cupcakes, and brownies. The three helped raise money for the speech team. Photo by Wendy Splitgerber



Shocking Act

Donning a pink cooking apron, Jim Walsh (12), as Ernie Cusac in *Rumors*, returns to the party with a look of shock as he is informed of the current situation. His talent earned him entry into both the Encore Theatre Company and Thespian society and named him as the Best Featured Actor at the Thespian Banquet on May 19th. Photo by Asma Khalid

Thespians

Lying: Dustin Henderlong **First row:** Erin Shanley, Anna Jessen, Ashley Bush, Rachel Easton, Melissa Mariola **Second row:** Katie Adams, Heather Burke, Lindsey Ciochina, Kristen Grompone, Kristine Rasmussen, Nick Dimos, Erica Krick **Third row:** Jim Walsh, Mr. Kit Degenhart, Melissa Baumgardner, Mike Dwan, Chris Aiello, Emily Schramm, Jamie Pierce **Fourth row:** Cory Driver, Ryan Fleming, Andrew Wirtz, Ryan Allen, Paul Fleming, Robby Schrum



President - Ashley Bush (12)
Vice-President - Dustin Henderlong (12)
Treasurer - Nick Dimos (12)
Secretary - Lindsey Ciochina (12) & Kristine Rasmussen (12)

Frederic Theatre Co.

Lying: Ryan Fleming **First Row:** Nick Dimos, Dustin Henderlong, Ashley Bush, Kristen Grompone, Kenny Easton **Second row:** Sara Sendejas, Melissa Mariola, Jamie Pierce, Erin Shanley, Heather Burke, Rachel Easton, Kathleen Shaw, Alexis Aiello, Tracey Farnsworth **Third row:** Kim Stegall, Jim Walsh, Elizabeth Camp, Katie Braggs, Colleen Drasga, Ashleigh Robbins, Ashley Rhodes **Fourth row:** Mr. Kit Degenhart, Cory Driver, Mike Dwan, Chris Aiello, Emily Schramm, Trey Williams **Fifth row:** Paul Fleming, Andy Wirtz, Robby Schrum, Steve Klein, Ryan Allen



"The musicals were the best because there was a bigger house with more people and lots of adrenaline." Katie Adams (12), ETC

Speech team

First row: Cassie Andrews, Cole Mitchell, Stephanie Dennis, Anna Argadine, Rachel Hulen, Katy Argadine **Second row:** Amber Bacavis, Angela Tedesco, Renee Rysiewicz, Mrs. Peggy Matanic, Kera Brust **Third row:** Ken Easton, Jim Walsh, Sean Cash, Paul Fleming, Trey Williams, Cory Driver **Not Pictured:** Denise Monroe, Laurel Poulsen, Asma Khalid, Elizabeth Camp, Mike Hack, Ross Compton, Dave Piechocki



"Our team won three trophies, which was excellent considering we entered an average of five people, compared to other schools who entered up to ten times as many." Amber Bacavis (10), Speech Team

Beginning Strings



"I liked being in Beginning Strings because it was a really good experience for me." Kristen Johnsen (9), Beginning Strings

Advanced Strings



"I was surprised at what was involved with being first chair. I really enjoyed the extra work and the benefits were well worth it." Renee Rysiewicz (10), Advanced Strings

Wind Ensembles



"I think orchestra was fun because it gave me an opportunity to entertain others through music." Kelly Sankowski (11), Winds

Front row: Alex Mossbarger, Missy Kiefer, Kristen Johnsen, Melissa Lucas, Caitlin Walsh, Erica DeGoe, Jason Gross **Second row:** Amanda Siple, Tara Wietbrock, Amber Altap, Ann Walter, Marika Barman, Emily Ketcher, Amanda Valentino **Third row:** Teri Rosenbaum, Rachel Cooley, Nectaria Aliferakis, Jenna Henderson, Jessica Hurtado, Ryne Emory, Brittany Hennings **Last row:** Josh Sauerman, Ryan Armstrong, Steve Andreoli, Mark McInerney, Ben Freeman, Mr. Jim Deal, Nick Doffin

Front row: Amanda Ketcher, Melissa Burgess, Natalie Johnsen, Daya Pillai, Christina Leyva, Kim Stegall, Alice Wildes **Second row:** Bethany Ketcher, Meredith Swan, Erin Crowley, Gabrielle Fraire, Sarah Carr, Cindy Grant, Lois Cross, Tanya Ivey, Jen Symmes, Meagan Plants **Third row:** Kyung Min, Ryan Allen, Rachel Lewis, Kim Sykes, Giulia Vicari, Amber Bacavis, Byron Rysiewicz, Kristin Frost, Megan Langel, Karen Haley, Max Roberts **Fourth row:** Shawn Kovacic, Ryan Sandbach, Mike Ellch, Natalie Nix, Reanna Borchert, Lisa Remlinger, Courtney Bonhivert, Jill Paloncy, Kera Brust, Katie Bragg, Andy Wirtz **Last row:** Brian Giacomini, Travis Smith, Quinn Witham, Josh Damjanovic, Grant Springman, Mike Ferraro, Dan Ellch, Jim Larson, Rick Sauerman, Mike Stanek, Brent Brown, Kyle Robbins

Front row: Michelle Retson, Sarah Blow, Leea Yelich, Caitlin Lincourt, Deanna Likens **Second row:** Naseema Mohammed, Angela Tedesco, Kelly Sankowski, Ashley Amodeo, Emily Schramm **Third row:** Adam Eich, Peter Besette, John Diekelmann, Jason Daseler **Last row:** Matt Boyd, Cory Driver, Mark Baumgardner



Freshman Band

Musical Inspiration

Concert Band

Freshman Band- Finding an outlet for their artistic sides, students turned to music to help express themselves. Every

Jazz Band

entry level band student was required to take Freshman Band. "I saw someone play the flute at the symphony. She was really good, and I wanted to learn to play," said Carolyn Dienes (9).

Each season, the band featured a new performance. "My favorite concert was the Winter Concert because of the Jazz Band," said Bret Sodo (9).

Concert Band- Once freshmen completed the first year course, they had the opportunity to join other bands, including concert band. Students often pursued other means outside of class to help them with their music. "I took private lessons, and I also played the piano," said Marc Bonich (10).

Students were inspired to play by a variety of ways. "My cousin was my inspiration; he can play practically every instrument," said Leslee Zona (11).



Bret Sodo (9), Jason Pelton (9), and Sarah Whiteside (9) keep the musical beat. Whiteside said, "The Christmas Concert was my favorite because of the atmosphere and the songs." Photo by Melissa Mariola

Seat Fests

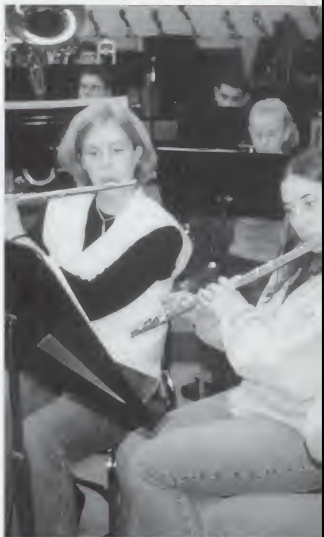
Jazz Band- Jazz band tryouts occurred in late fall. There was also a second extracurricular band activity called Labb Band. These two bands traveled to ISU and ISSMA for contests. -Lisa Knopf

Gettin' Flaw

Keeping their eyes on the director, Lindsey Ciochina (12) and Giulia Vicari (10) play their trumpets in Jazz Band. The band went to competitions at Purdue and Indiana State University. Photo by Sarah Pasyk

Smooth Move

Playing their flutes, Ann Shepard (9), Amy Sharp (9) and Sara Diekelmann (9) try not to skip a beat. The girls played the flutes in freshman band. Photo by Melissa Mariola



Jazzin' it up

With sheet music in sight, Jim Walsh (12) plays the guitar and concentrates on the notes while Corey Drive (12) plays the bongos. "I loved jazz improvisation. Jazz Band was a great opportunity for spontaneous creativity, which was the most enjoyable," said Walsh (12).

Photo by Sarah Pasyk



Front row: Erin Nault, Chrissy Ilift, Coriene Mauger, Michelle Retson, Sarah Blow, Sarah Shebish, Alexis Charizopolous **Second row:** Jill Appel, Kelly Gross, Nathan Sajdera, Katie Messing, Sabrina Morgan, Caitlin Lincourt, Nick Friedman, Andy Taylor, Samantha Narjes, Stephanie Dennis, Nikki Lee, Laura Feder, Kelly Miller **Third row:** Pat Hunt, Amanda Ashley, Chris Bane, Melissa Baumgardner, Robin White, Jennifer Teske, Justin Bell, Mike Jamison, Jacob Sumner, Mike Ferraro, Marc Bonich, Mark Cooper **Fourth row:** Kevin Devine, Brianna Wirtz, Leslee Zona, Matt Maloney, Jeff Beck, Ryan Klobucar, Lindsey Dykes, Luke Brislain, Brian Maxwell, Brenton Harris **Last row:** Nick Kristoff, Brandon Barr, Jessica Hammond, Amber West, Liz Lewis, Trey Williams, Elisabeth Hoernig, Nick Golumbeck, Jeremy Nemeth, Steve Somers.

Concert Band



"I had always loved music and by being in band, I got to make it. Music was a big part of my life."
Caitlin Lincourt (10), Concert Band

Jazz Band



Front row: Anna Jessen, Kevin Lambert, Sabrina Morgan, Lauren Armenta, John Fister, Garret Willis, Giulia Vicari, Merv Barenie **Second row:** Nick Friedman, Naseema Mohammed, Nicholas Dimos, Lindsey Ciocchina, Amber Bacavis, Jeff Lambert, Jacob Sumner, Leea Yelich **Third row:** Kim Driver, Mike Ferraro, Andy Balicki, Jason Daseler, John Diekelmann, Aaron Faulstich, Kyle Klobucar, Adam Eich, Chris Bane **Last row:** Paul Fleming, Andy Wirtz, Kyle Trunsgnich, Brian Martin, Peter Bessette, Joe Gerischer, Cory Driver, Robby Schrum, James Walsh.

President - Robby Schrum (12)
Vice-President - Cory Driver (12)
Secretary - James Walsh (12)

Freshman Band



"My inspiration came from my parents. They always encouraged and complimented me. They gave great support." Kelly Harlow (9), Freshmen Band

Celebrity



First row: Natalie Johnson, Carissa Klingberg, Sarah Shebish, Celia Gura, Karen Haley, Alexis Charizopoulos, Marisa Fernandez **Second row:** Melissa Burgess, Gabrielle Fraire, Nikki Lee, Maritza Mota, Melinda Wilbanks, Lauren Armenta **Last row:** Kathleen Shaw, Caitlin Kerr, Katie Unwin, Emily Tromp, Colleen Cash, Katie Bragg, Cynthia Mota

Captains - Natalie Johnson (12)
Melissa Burgess (11)
Emily Tromp (11)

Loyal Legions



Drum Majors - Deanna Likens (12)
Anna Jessen (12)
Garret Willis (11)

Top Band



First row: Mike Ferraro, Andy Wirtz, Joe Genscher, John Horst, Trey Williams, Paul Fleming, Cory Driver, Steve Samers **Second row:** Jim Saunders, Marc Bonich, Emily Schramm, Jenny Maynard, Sabrina Morgan, Melissa Burgess, Natalie Johnson, Anna Jessen, Michelle Retson, Sarah Shebish, Jena Dines, Laura Retson, Ashley Guyer, Robby Schrum **Third row:** Elizabeth Retson, Corinne Mauer, Katie Messing, Becky Duncan, Lauren Armenta, Deanna Likens, Erin Nault, Sarah Blow, Amanda Wilson, Nick Daffin, Bret Soda, Sean Gertsch, Kevin Lambert, Nikki Lee, Jen Roebber, Melinda Wilbanks **Fourth row:** Sarah Giles, Jill Ballard, Kelly Sarkowski, Dan Lambert, Caitlin Lincourt, Nick Friedman, Chris Bone, Nasema Mohammed, Megan Mulholland, Stephanie Dennis, Amber Bacavis, Giulia Vicari, Merv Borenie, John Fister, Melissa Baumgardner **Fifth row:** Amos Voyles, Jacob Sumner, Eric Akey, Derek Remlinger, Justin Bell, Brianna Wirtz, Susan Thomas, Brian Maxey, Peter Bessette, Wayne Stanton, Leslie Zona, John Diekelmann, Jason Daseler, Laura Dragoin, Sarah Whiteside, Kim Driver **Last row:** Luke Breslin, Graham Coch, Matt Maloney, Adam Eich, Kyle Klobucar, Amber West, Justin Boyd, Sarah Diekelmann, Steve Andreoli, Elizabeth Bessette, Deanna Burgess, Anna Kerr, Arne Truschnig, Nolan Szalmasagi, Jim Walsh, Arne Sheppard.

"I joined Pep Band to be with my friends and it was great! One of my favorite parts was the Pep Band cheers." John Fister (9), Pep Band

Step in Line

Marching around the square, Colleen Cash (10), Katie Unwin (9) and Maritza Mota (11) perform a flag routine. Captains created a last minute routine before the parade. Photo by Melissa Mariola

Collection

Andy Wirtz (11) and Robby Schrum (12) yell words of encouragement during a home basketball game. Both trained to play more than one instrument. Photo by Golas



Star in a Ball

From her platform, Deanna Likens (12) conducts the Royal Regiment during the half-time of a football game. Likens was selected as the drum major after a two-day audition at the beginning of the school year. Photo by Golas

Playing Their Part

Pep Band - The official blew his whistle to signal a time out by the home team.

As the two opposing teams huddled, the crowd started to grow restless with anticipation.

Suddenly, an overwhelming explosion of music pulsed through the stands. "Being dubbed as the best pep band in the state of Indiana was definitely the best part," said Jenny Maynard (12). Not only did this group play a vital role in the pep rally and basketball games, but they also provided strong support for the cheerleading squad.

Royal Regiment - Beginning drills started even before school in August at St. Mary's of the Woods for members of the Royal Regiment. Over five days, they learned techniques and an entire field show. In addition to their performances during every football game, the band attended four invitationals, District ISSMA, where they earned a Division I rating, and Regional ISSMA, where they received a District II rating.

Colorguard - Auditions in May selected performers who would travel with the marching band to a camp where they were taught their routine. Hours during the summer and every day after school were spent polishing up details. Their hard work paid off when they made it to regionals. -Paul Fleming

Pep Band

Color-guard

Royal Regiment



Sweet Sounds

With director Mrs. Peg Schaffer, Megan Mulholland (10), Jeff Lambert (11), and Caitlin Lincort (10) read their music and play their instruments. The pep band was an opportunity offered to students of any grade or skill level. Photo by Ashley Rhodes

Frosh Girls' Choir

Students Vocalize Talent

Treble Choir

Choir- A break from their typical working day at school, choir provided time to do something members enjoyed... sing.

Mixed Choir

Kelly McMahon (11) said, "One thing that I especially enjoyed about being in choir was that it gave me a break during my busy day. It was also a chance to relax and not worry about homework or tests."

Weather created a problem for the choirs as the Christmas concert had to be cancelled twice because of snow. However, when spring rolled around two chartered busses full of students performed in the Big Apple. Beth Erickson (11) said, "Besides attending ISSMA, which was a vocal and ensemble contest, during Spring Break I was able to go to New York City with the choirs to sing in a music festival." The students competed in the American Music Festival and received a 2nd place.

In May, the choirs participated in Spring Sing. About thirty



Beatles Medley

While performing at the Spring Sing concert, Lauren Tokar (10), Justin Boyd (9) and Kenny Easton (11) lead the rest of the Mixed Choir in a Beatles Medley. The medley included "Let it Be", "We All Live in a Yellow Submarine", "Come Together" and "Eleanor Rigby" to name a few. To impart a 1960's mood, the members of the choir dressed as Hippies. Photo by Jessica Koscielniak

seniors performed solos, Mixed Choir, Treble Choir, and the Freshmen Girls' choir performed medleys from the Beatles, Walt Disney, and the 1960's era respectively. Jodi McFadden (12) said, "My favorite thing about being in choir was being able to perform at the Spring Sing, although my least favorite part of choir was having to stand up all hour!"

-Danielle Schott

Timely Trio

Dressed as Pocahontas, Jessica Hetzel (11) sings "Colors of the Wind" with the Treble Choir. The group also dressed in Disney attire. Hetzel performed despite a broken leg. Photo by Gialos

John Fister

"Joe Joe was a man," sings John Fister (9) and Joe Anello (10) at the spring concert. The two performed a solo as the Mixed Choir backed them up with the chorus from "Get Back." Photo by Jessica Koscielniak



Girl Solo

Doing the solo part of the song "Stop in the Name of Love", Marika Barmen (9) sings with the rest of the freshman girls at Spring Sing. Since the Christmas concert was cancelled, this was only the third time the girls performed this year. At the fall concert Mrs. Joanne Borodine (director) told the audience the group was very advanced musically for their age. Photo by Jessica Koscielniak



Front row: Amanda Schaller, Katie Unwin, Marika Barman, Stacy Luckey, Sara Diekelmann, Kim Driver, Anne Sheppard, Jessica Conley **Second row:** Cassie Andrews, Alyssa Mueller, Amanda Wilson, Kristina Vlassopoulos, Missy Burnett, Missy Lucas, Kristen Johnson, Caitlin Walsh, Kristina Domjanoska **Third row:** Janessa Risner, Kim Conway, Anna Reilly, Dawn Vaupel, Ann Massa, Kate Olsen, Jillian Echterling, Jessica Cunningham, Julie Mills, Carey Giochina, Natalie Holtzinger **Fourth row:** Jenny Seifert, Stephanie Savell, Kristin Kelleher, Jocelyn Suarez, Becky Duncan, Samantha Shea, Kari Winge, Brooke Jones, Laura Retson, Jessica Windbigler **Fifth row:** Jorie Arnold, Jamie Jansen, Natalie Coros, Mallory Pals, Colleen Carroll, Dessa Rattray, Andrea Seeley, Nectaria Aliferakis, Erica DeGoey, Emilee Bilka, Mandee Muir **Last row:** Diane Cervantes, Ashley Florentine, Lauren Kocher, Ashley Guyler, Jenna Henderson, Amanda Wirtz, Brittney Pritchard, Liz Mowry, Sarah Fisher, Melissa Robertson.

Front row: Jeannie Frankovich, Jessica Hetzel, Jodi McFadden, Kara Waterspoon, Shana Laninga, Christa Angelov, Lauren Miller **Second row:** Kara Mislán, Karlin Norwalk, Georganne Weber, Melissa Burgess, Naseema Mohammed, Kim Stegall, Kathleen Shaw, Whitney Brown, Courtney Bright, Alexis Aiello **Third row:** Jorie Kooi, Rhianna Tomaszak, Aimee Pancini, Lindsay Valentino, Laura Maurer, Stacy Kwilas, Christina Vaca, Laura Fredericks, Emily Rashin **Fourth row:** Hannah Petyko, Jenny Hughes, Melissa Booker, Laura Bachel, Nicole Lincoln, Susan Ilgin, Brieger Buckley, Allison Southard **Last row:** Jill Schiesser, Stephanie Gursky, Becky Guenther, Beth Erickson, Jennifer Guard, Erin Andershuck, Katie Adams, Megan Carlson, Elizabeth Camp

Front row: Ashley Madajczyk, Melissa Casteel, Melissa Baumgardner, Caitlin Lincoirt, Laura Feder, Elizabeth Camp, Brianna Wirtz **Second row:** Kelly Bielak, Courtney Postlethwait, Nicole Abshire, Nikki Lee, Erin Horjus, Sabrina Morgan, Kelly Sapito, Joe Anello, Katrina Lessner, Sara Chant **Third row:** Lindsay Gora, Sarah Blow, Amanda Endris, Diana Snyder, Nicki Garza, Amber Sytsma, Denise Monroe, Lauren Armenta, Heather Jessop, Maggie Friedericks, Jamie Mislán **Fourth row:** Ashley Bush, Lauren Miller, Christa Angelov, John Fister, Matt Eaton, Elizabeth Lisican, Tracy Werblo, Natalie Stypula, Rosa Venegas, Tracy Johnson, Laura Andreoli, Kristin Zych **Fifth row:** Megan Mulholland, Colleen Cash, Stephanie Wahlberg, Ross Compton, Aaron Sprehe, Nick Hoffman, Justin Boyd, Steve Schelfo, Rob Bruno, Mike Brehmer, Adam Heintzman **Last row:** Mike Garrett, Pierce Overbeke, Nancy Wemeyer, Elisabeth Hoernig, Ken Easton, Chase Overbeke, Don Stam, Ryan Voyles, Sean O'Drabinak, James Larson, Jimmy Dean

Freshman Girls' Choir



"I thought choir was a great experience. I learned so much about so many different aspects having to do with singing." Natalie Holtzinger (9), Freshman Girls' Choir

Treble Choir



"My favorite thing about choir was learning new songs to sing. The people in choir were also really great." Shana Laninga (11), Treble Choir

Mixed Choir



"My favorite thing about being in choir was being with friends and being able to have fun with all of the events." Jim Larson (11), Mixed Choir

Mixed Show Choir



"I loved to dance and sing. With show choir, I had the chance to do so!" Nicholas Dimos (12), Mixed Show Choir

Front row: Ashley Bush, Heather Burke, Erin Shanley, Lindsey Ciocchina, Kristen Grompone; **Second row:** Sarah Archer, Elizabeth Camp, Anna Jessen, Kristine Rasmussen, Abby Mummery, Ashley Rhodes; **Third row:** Dala Duffala, Rachel Easton, Nick Dimos, Ashleigh Robbins, Jill Bradford, Joe Anello; **Fourth row:** Ed Klingberg, David Parrish, Dustin Henderlong, Eric Davis, Marshall Back, Mike Ferraro; **Last row:** Jason Daseler, Joe Gerischer, Paul Fleming, Kenny Easton, Andy Wirtz



Girls' Show Choir



"Show choir was great because everyone was really dedicated and the performances were memorable." Jamie Kooi (11), Girls' Show Choir

Front row: Melissa Burgess, Natalie Johnsen, Kim Stegall, Natalie Holtzner, Caitlin Lincourt; **Second row:** Naseema Mohammed, Carey Ciocchina, Courtney Bright, Kathleen Shaw; **Third row:** Megan Mulholland, Jamie Kooi, Tracey Farnsworth, Julie Steinberg, Emily Schramm; **Last row:** Tracy Johnson, Elizabeth Erickson



Concert Choir



"Spring Sing was my favorite concert because of the many great performance opportunities we had." Jill Bradford (12), Concert Choir

Front row: Jessica Back, Carissa Klingberg, Natalie Johnsen, Ashleigh Robbins, Erin Shanley, Jamie Pierce, Heather Burke, Ashley Bush, Anna Jessen; **Second row:** Rachel Kubacki, Jill Bradford, Kelli Morgan, Jocelyn Ivey, Kristine Rasmussen, Sarah Archer, Andrea Jacobs, Abby Mummery, Kristen Grompone, Lindsey Ciocchina, Ed Klingberg, Dala Duffala, David Parrish; **Third row:** Katie Bragg, Nick Dimos, Rachel Easton, Tasha Beauchamp, Julie Steinberg, Mike Ferraro, Chris Coe, Ryan Allen, Marshall Back, Andrew Wring, Marc Bonich, Ryan Fleming, Michael Salazar; **Fourth row:** John Lowery, Kara Boog, Tracey Farnsworth, Ashley Rhodes, Chris Aiello, Jason Daseler, Eric Davis, Katie Adams, Erin Andershock, Heather Diehl, Mike Kipp, Kyle Klobucar, Dave Davison; **Last row:** Jim Walsh, Matt Boyd, Mark Baumgardner, Paul Fleming, Nick Zestakakis, Andy Wirtz, Emily Schramm, Joe Gerischer, John Beauchamp, Cory Driver, Robby Schrum, Kenny Easton, Dustin Henderlong



Fire Dance

Girls' Show Choir member Kim Stegall (10) rehearses with Beth Erickson (11) and Naseema Muhammed (10). They practiced their country number, "When Will I Be Loved." Photo by Lindsey Ciocchina

Boogie Woogie

During the Holiday Teaser, Heather Burke (12) and Paul Fleming (12) dance and sing to "Boogie Woogie Santa Claus." The holiday season was the busiest time of year for the group. Photo by R. Overbeek



Samba Time

At the All-City Choral Concert, Ashley Bush (12), a veteran member of the Mixed Show Choir, performs "Too Hot To Samba." Bush said, "I liked this number the best because I enjoyed salsa dancing." Photo by R. Overbeek



Aspiring Students Perform

Mixed Show Choir - Where could you find some of the most talented singers

and dancers in the school? The Mixed

Show choir held auditions in September for the limited number of spaces in the performance group.

Weekly rehearsals, extra choreography sessions and

multiple performances kept the choir busy all year long. Learning eight newly choreographed numbers, the group rehearsed both in and out of class. Their dances were taught by free-lance choreographers and occasionally students. "Usually we performed at each choir concert, and we also performed at banquets and churches when we were asked," said Erin Shanley (12).

Girls' Show Choir - With their rehearsal schedule beginning in second semester, the all-female group performed both alone and with the girls from the Mixed Show Choir on separate occasions. One of the most popular numbers they performed was "Let's Hear it for the Boy," a smash hit from the 80's.

Looking back on her last two years as a Girls' Show Choir member, Kim Stegall (10) said, "I had wanted to be in the Show Choir ever since I was very little, and when I was in it, it was even better than what I thought it was going to be." -Lindsey Ciocchina



Celebration

Tracey Farnsworth (11) and Anna Jessen (12) look towards Dustin Henderlong (12) during the performance of "Celebrate the Future." This number was performed by the Mixed Show Choir at the Fall Concert. Photo by R. Overbeek

Mixed Show Choir

Girls' Show Choir

Concert Choir

French Club

French Culture & Fun

French Seniors

French Club- "We've been involved in tons of activities," said secretary of the French Club, Ashley Amodeo (10).

French Council

Every year during the month of February, Mardi Gras, which means "Fat Tuesday" in French, takes place in New Orleans, Louisiana. To commemorate the French fanfare, the club celebrated by eating pizza and making t-shirts at an after-school party.

Also, the club traveled to Chicago to go Christmas shopping and to visit the Christmas tree exhibit at the Museum of Science and Industry on December 9th. "I enjoyed going to Chicago with all the other clubs to shop," said Emily Steiger (12).

To experience authentic French cuisine, members ventured to Bon Appetit to learn how to make crepes and to Cafe Fondue to try out the French Cuisine. Treasurer Amy Enslen (11) said, "When we went to Cafe Fondue, there was hot oil that shot up like a



geyser!"

Closing her eyes, Ashley Amodeo (10) gets a quick eye make-over. During the French Club field trip to Chicago, Amodeo went into Marshall Field's department store to stop at the MAC make-up counter. She served as the secretary for the club. Photo by Sarah Pasyk

The club planned and participated in many Foreign Language Week activities and hosted an Hawaiian-themed, after-the-game dance. Amodeo said, "My favorite activity was decorating the cafeteria for the dance sponsored by our club. We had a blast setting up, not to mention at the dance itself." -Ashley Mann

Limbo

During the ping-pong relay in the cafeteria at the Foreign Language Olympics, Amy Enslen (11) concentrates on not dropping the ping-pong ball. Enslen said, "The best thing about being in French Club was learning about French culture." Photo by Sarah Pasyk

Limbo

On his knees, Joe Huber (9) puts the finishing touches on his t-shirt for Foreign Language week. Wearing foreign language week t-shirts earned extra credit in some classes. Photo by Sarah Pasyk



Limbo

During the Foreign Language Olympics, Jessica Cunningham (9) competes in the limbo competition. The Olympics, organized by the Foreign Language Department, included a mummy wrap, a Nerfball throw, a viking dual, and shuffle board contests. Photo by Sarah Pasyk





Front row: Allie Fargo, Britany Andrews, Stephanie Plummer, Diedra Paitsell, Heather Forney, Katelin Klepsch, Sarah Pasyk, Kitty Damanskis, Carey Ciochina
Second row: Jon Ramos, Kelly Sapita, Jill Bradford, Kristen Grompone, Audrey Bail, Brittany Glover, Julie Bauer, Elizabeth Camp, Elizabeth Lisican, Mindy Zacher, Amy Enslin, Angela Spadoni
Third row: Kathleen Shaw, Ashley Mann, Lauren Frank, Angie Fodemski, Jason Gross, Lindsey Mabry, Nicki Garza, Megan Mulholland, Erica DeGoey, Nectaria Aliferakis, Emilee Bilka
Fourth row: Asma Khalid, Ryne Emory, Teri Rosenbaum, Carly Link, Tracy Johnson, Jessica Cunningham, Candace Robinson, Angie Tsikouris, Emily Corbin, Megan Reid, Karie Larsen
Last row: Suzana Kubicova, Colleen Genetos, Dave Davison, Mimi Steiger, Karissa Guyer, Milan Andjelich, Andrew Aliferakis, James Larson, Kyung Min, Joe Huber

Front row: Kristen Grompone, Jill Bradford, Mrs. Ruth Ann Price
Last row: Audrey Bail, Karissa Guyer, Hatim Alami

Ashley Amodeo, Karissa Guyer, Amy Enslin, Sarah Pasyk

French Club



"We had a blast decorating the cafeteria and setting up for the dance we sponsored." Ashley Amodeo (10), French 2

French Series



"It was a great opportunity to learn more about French culture. And I made so many close friends in French Club." Ashley Rhodes (12), French 4

French Council



President - Karissa Guyer (12)
Vice-President - Sarah Pasyk (10)
Secretary - Ashley Amodeo (10)
Treasurer - Amy Enslin (11)

German 1 & 2



"German Club gave me an opportunity to learn the language inside as well as outside of class."
Natalie Williams (9), German 1

German 3 & 4



"I felt that learning a new language required learning about the culture of the language. It was a fun and worthwhile experience." Dave Huber (11), German 3

German Council



Advisor - Mr. Michael Antley
President - Katie Chelap (12)
Vice-President - Amy Enslen (11)
Treasurer - Amber Bacavis (10)

Front row: Natalie Williams, Becky Duncan, Kara Dykhuis, Christina Kellermeier, Dawn Vaupel, Anna Argadine, Rachel Cooley **Second row:** Maggie Friedericks, Elizabeth Bessett, Nick Friedman, Ed Klingberg, Wayne Stanton, Andrew Wilson **Third row:** Amber West, Mark Cooper, Renee Rysiewicz, Amber Bacavis, Giulia Vicari **Last row:** Mr. Michael Antley, James Jared, Marc Bonich

Front row: Mr. Michael Antley, Sidra Malik, Carissa Klingberg, Katie Messing, Melissa Seneczko **Second row:** Amber Jansson, Amy Enslen, John Diekelmann, Peter Besette **Last row:** Beth Erickson, Dave Huber, Jeff Lambert, Adam Kerr, Katie Chelap

Front row: Carissa Klingberg, Amber Bacavis, Renee Rysiewicz **Second row:** Amy Enslen, Katie Chelap **Last row:** Mr. Michael Antley, Jeff Lambert, Andrew Wilson

Dressing Up

While getting ready for a Christmas party, Susan Ilgin (12) puts on a St. Nicolas beard. Seniors conducted the party as a tradition each year. Photo by Melissa Mariola

Mummy Wrap

Standing steadily, Micheal Hack (10) gets wrapped in toilet paper by Rachel Kubacki (12). German club took second place in 'The Mummy Wrap' at the Foreign Language Olympics. Photo by Sarah Pasyk



Driving Out Sin

In costume, Bryce Segert (12) awaits his role in the Saint Nikolastag Celebration, a tradition in Switzerland and Germany. Segert (12) said "I was a Schutzly and Saint Nikolas. All the seniors participated, and we would use sticks to 'drive out sin' from the underclassmen." Photo by Melissa Mariola

Activities Increase Understanding

German Club- Refusing to restrict themselves to school boundaries, members of the club looked outside to experience German culture. They traveled to Hammond for traditional German cuisine at the White Rose Inn and to Indiana Northwest to hear a first hand account from a speaker who grew up in Nazi Germany. "The club officers planned activities that helped us understand the culture," said David Kerbs (10). Students also planned club activities that did not always have a German theme. Amber Bacavis (10) said, "We went to the movies, and we even went bowling together."

Many members of the club invited German foreign exchange students into their homes for a few weeks. Hosts took their students on many field trips to such places as Amish Acres, the Indiana Dunes State Park and Chicago to sightsee, visit museums and watch a major league baseball game.

Students also made pinecone ornaments, played games, and watched the German movie *Run Lola Run* to celebrate Sankt Nikolastag, the German Christmas. Kelly Cowan (11) said, "I liked the film a lot, but I thought it was just crazy."

German club also won the Foreign Language Olympics.

- Katelin Klepsch

**German
1 & 2**

**German
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**German
Council**



Cuttin' Grass

Jacob Sumner (10) does the "Lawn Mower Dance" at the German Sankt Nikolastag Celebration. Sumner was dared by an upperclassman to do the dance with teachers Mr. David Rosenbaum (Japanese & German) and Mr. Micheal Antley (German). Photo by Melissa Mariola

Beg.
Japanese

Uncovering Japanese

Adv.
Japanese

Japanese Club- Throughout the school

year, members experienced many of their activities in a hands-on fashion. At

Japanese
Council

meetings, club members discussed Japanese culture, society, music, environment, and language. Members

participated in several activities including designing

t-shirts, preparing and sampling Japanese food, and learning Japanese games. We just get together once a month, maybe, and do different things. We've made origami and played games," said Denise Monroe (10), "and we had a tea ceremony once."

Japanese foreign exchange students visited the school shortly after Winter Break, for about one week. These exchange students taught club members things that were not in their textbook, and they would not have learned otherwise including new grammar and vocabulary, culture about their native city and country. Students also learned that the language in Japan is not

as formal as they thought. "I was amazed by how different their casual speech was from the polite speech we learned in class," said Dan Stanko (10).

With all the activities and the help of the foreign exchange students, Japanese Club members managed to learn about Japanese culture, language, and tradition while having fun. -Ashley Madajczyk



Culture Show

Teaching a common pastime from Japan, Japanese exchange students demonstrate their Karate skills at the Foreign Language Banquet. The exchange students helped the Japanese students learn about traditions in their homeland. Photo by Ashley Mann

Putting Air

Lining up the puck, Dan Ostrozovich (10) competes in the Foreign Language Olympics. Dan helped Japanese Club receive 3rd place. Photo by Sarah Pasyk

Homecoming

Rachel Kubacki (12) and David Street (9) help build the foreign language float for the Homecoming parade. Kubacki said, "I was proud of how many Japanese members showed up." Photo by Stephanie Black



Toze Fudets

Stretching to hit his very small target, Milos Pusara (9) participates in the Bozo buckets competition during his first Foreign Language Olympics held in the cafeteria during Foreign Language week. Pusara lost the contest to competitor Dan Ostrozovich (10), a fellow Japanese Club member. Photo by Sarah Pasyk





Front row: Adam Wragg, Nicole Halcomb, Amanda Wilson, David Street **Second row:** Dan Lambert, Amanda Valentino, Allison Kloss, Kari Winge **Last row:** Graham Koch, Justin Boyd, Adam Krumwied, Kyle Trusgnich, Milos Pusara

Beginning Japanese



"I learned how to make certain Japanese food for my family which helped them understand what I learned in school and Japanese Club."
Amanda Wilson (9), Japanese 1

Advanced Japanese



Front row: Jeannie Frankovich, Rachel Kubacki, Denise Monroe, Amber Bacavis, Renee Rysiewicz **Second row:** Teddy Beyer, Dan Ostrozovich, Dustin Scaggs, Aaron Faulstich, Mr. David Rosenbaum **Last row:** Rick Atkins, Mike Hack, David Hanus, Chris Coe

"I knew my Japanese Club skills would greatly benefit my future career as an adult." David Hanus (10), Japanese 2

Japanese Council



Mr. David Rosenbaum, Teddy Beyer, Dan Ostrozovich, Rachel Kubacki, Renee Rysiewicz.

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Latin 1



*"Being in Latin Club, I learned leadership skills, which was an important asset for my future."
Natalie Holtzinger (9), Latin 1*

Latin 2 & 3



"The thing I liked most was probably how much we gave back to the community and all the volunteer work we did." Daya Pillai (10), Latin 2

Latin 4



Advisor - Mr. Jeremy Walker
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Front Row: Kristina Chlebowski, Jeremy Kras **Last Row:** Chip Walter, Mr. Jeremy Walker, Robby Schrum, Chris Humbert

Creed It In

Stenciling some ideas, Kelly Sankowski (10) and Alex Mossbarger (9) design togas. Togas served as an important part of the Gladiator Day festivities. Photo by Krystina Trimble

Unlucky Act

Kenny Easton (12) competes in the Gladiator Game on President's Day. Easton received a Cum Laude certificate on the National Latin Exam. Photo by Jeremy Walker

Latin Spirit Pays Off

Latin Club - For the first time in twenty years, the Latin Club received the Helen Wampler Spirit Award, an award based on the club's year-round activities and spirit at assemblies.

Amidst the many activities the group hosted and sponsored throughout the year, they also made time to give back to the community through volunteer work and other projects. Ellen Sistovaris (11) said, "We volunteered at nursing homes, read to elementary students, helped a family whose house burned down, arranged a pop and bottle recycling program, and helped the elderly by raking leaves and shoveling snow."

In August, five Latin Club members traveled with Mr. Jeremy Walker to Oklahoma University for the 2000 National Junior Classical League Convention. At the convention, students competed in academic competitions, art contests, and athletic events. Robby Schrum (12) was elected president of the Indiana Junior Classical League and presided over all meetings.

In March, 51 Latin students took the National Latin Exam and 41 of them received national recognition. Thirteen received gold medals and *summa cum laude* certificates. Kristina Chlebowski (12), who won a *cum laude* certificate, said, "Latin helped develop my vocabulary and English skills which I will use in my future."

-Ashley Madajczyk

Latin
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Letters Up

Sampling one of many fruit-flavored smoothies, Latin Club members share a toast at Frullati Cafe at Southlake Mall in Merrillville. Ryan Tracey served as President in the year 2000 and met the club at the National Latin Convention held at Indiana University. Photo by Jeremy Walker



Link It Link

During the Foreign Language Olympics, Krystina Trimble (10) steadies the pole for the Limbo competition. Krystina was also one of the acting scrapbook officers and she won the *Corona Oliva* Certificate after taking the National Medusa Mythology Exam. Photo by Sarah Pasyk

Spanish 1&2

Exploring Foreign Culture

Spanish 3&4

Spanish Club— Being with your friends, taking trips, and experiencing authentic food. What more could you ask for from

Spanish Council

an extracurricular activity? That was exactly what students who took part in Spanish Club got to experience about twice a month when they held their

meetings. Melissa Geagan (11), the co-secretary of the club, said, "We went to Taco Real and to Chicago to see the Christmas trees. We also had fiestas, played games, and sometimes just hung out at our meetings."

Aside from the fun and games of the club, students also had a chance to expand their knowledge of Spanish culture. Led by Mrs. Carol Rivero, the club participated in ethnic Spanish activities such as breaking open piñatas and eating at an authentic Mexican restaurant. Mrs. Rivero said, "I believed that Spanish Club provided a time for Spanish students of all levels to get



That's My Fact

Dan Forsythe (11), Renee Goins (11), and James Ashford (11) wait for the next question to be asked during the Foreign Language Week quiz bowl. The three represented the third year Spanish class. Photo by Taryn Salmi

together for special cultural activities that were not part of the daily classroom agenda."

Jenny Maynard (12) said, "One time we went to Fiesta Mexico.

We tried to do things that had

to do with the culture that were fun and interesting. I

liked working with Mrs. Rivero.

She was a really fun lady."

—Danielle Schott

Two Feet Still

Concentrating on her shot, Melissa Geagan (11) tosses the ball into the bucket. Participation in the Olympics was expanded to students who were not club members. Photo by Sarah Pasyk

Three Chick

Deanna Likens (12), Emily Schramm (12), Jenny Maynard (12), and Katie Metros (12) chat while eating pizza. They ate at Watertown Place in Chicago during the Spanish field trip. Photo submitted by Spanish Club



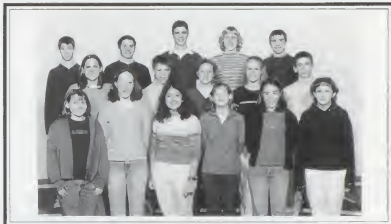
Just Browsing

During the foreign language field trip, Kelly Bielak (11) and Georganne Weber (11) check out the candy and toys at Chicago's FAO Schwartz. Bielak said, "The German market was really interesting, and I was able to get most of my Christmas shopping done." Photo by Sarah Pasyk



Front row: Michelle Retson, Jessica Rick, Sara Sendejas, Melissa Myres, Lindsey Morfin, Jena Dines **Second row:** Laura Retson, Kevin Vlink, Julie Mills, Amanda Wirtz, Chris Charizopoulos **Last row:** Nick Doffin, Matt Eaton, Branko Alavanja, Elisabeth Hoernig, Adam Heintzman

Spanish 1 & 2



"My favorite thing about Spanish Club was that I was with my friends and we got to eat food at the meetings. I also liked the field trips."
Lindsey Morfin (9), Spanish 1

Spanish 3 & 4



Front row: Kelly Bielak, Melissa Geagan, Brieger Buckley, Deanna Likens, Katie Metros, Georganne Weber, Sarah Pyle **Second row:** Jenny Hughes, Jeanette Rosenwinkel, Jamie Kooi, Laura Buchelt, Kristen Gondek, Jill Ballard **Third row:** Alison Chepela, Jenny Maynard, Emily Schramm, Ashley Plumley, Mike Zurbriggen **Last row:** Travis Smith, Cory Driver, Kyle Knutson, Ms. Carol Bangsberg

"My favorite thing about Spanish club was that I got to interact with the teachers in a setting other than the classroom." Cory Driver (12), Spanish 4

Spanish Council



Front row: Melissa Geagan, Emily Schramm, Jenny Maynard, Katie Metros, Jeanette Rosenwinkel **Last row:** Deanna Likens, Ashley Plumley, Cory Driver, Sara Sendejas, Laura Retson, Jena Dines

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The pep rally was cool because all my friends were there. It's something I'll always remember. Sash Joveski (12)

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Homecoming What was the best part of the best ?

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It was fun trying to compete with other classes to see who had the best spirit wall. Kara Gora (11)

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not to look like
anyone else."
James Jared (10)

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"I let my soul
glow!"
Charlie Festa (12)
(with Maggie
Fleming, 12)

"I picked
clothes or hair
styles that I liked. I
tried new things and
didn't copy anyone
else's style because
it was in." Kim
Podowski (12)

♥ Relationships ♥

Who was/were your
best friend(s)?

Did you have a
boyfriend/
girlfriend/crush
and if so, who?

Do you believe in
love at first sight?

Who would you
confide in first?
(circle one)

Boyfriend/
Girlfriend
Bestfriend

How do you picture
your love life will be
in...

10 years?

30 years?

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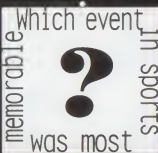
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"It was great when Notre Dame got blown out by Oregon State in the Fiesta Bowl." Dan Knaga (12)



"It was cool when we went to Evansville to play different soccer teams and we got to see how they played." Liz Mowry (9)



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WHAT WAS YOUR BEST MEMORY WITH?

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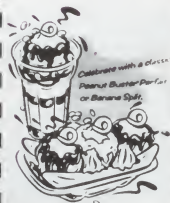
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Ceramics just looked like something I was interested in." Lindsey Muraida (10)

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Sitting in this room for the last time, writing my last article, and watching the minutes of my high school career slowly pass by, I wonder where all the time has gone. What a long, strange trip it has been. Yet, definitely worth every moment. Joining the *Excalibur* staff as a freshman was one of the greatest honors I have received because it gave me the opportunity to meet some of the greatest people I know and develop some of the best friendships I could have ever imagined. I don't think I can even express all of the gratitude I have for my staff and all of the hard work they have put into my dream. They deserve your praise for they captured the epitome of our time here and created a beautiful book. To all my seniors, congratulations on graduation and best of luck in your future endeavors. Take advantage of each and every moment and take the time to stop and look around once awhile.

Melissa Mariola
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At the German Christmas Celebration called *Weihnachten*, Bryan Cuculich (12) rides piggyback with Mr. Rosenbaum. Mr. Rosenbaum taught Japanese and German. Photo by Melissa Mariola

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Working for the "Help Jake" fund-raiser, Jessica Frank (12) and Carolyn Dienes (9) hang signs. Students painted faces to raise money for the little boy who was ill. Photo by Stephanie Black



While having a tailgate party, seniors Jay Means, Jen Rouse, Maggie Flemming, Aaron Popp, Nate Szymczak, Kurt Falkenberg, KC Klepp, Dan Motkiewicz, George Kucik, Brian Butler, Courtney Serich, Mike Tatro, and Adam Bilka await the Perich concert at the Allstate Arena. Photo submitted by Jen Rouse

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While working in the library, Steve Schelfo (11) types a report. He dressed up for Halloween. Photo by Melissa Mariola



In Mrs. Chary's French class, Emily Bilka (09) shows off the mask she made. The students celebrated Mardi Gras.
Photo by Sarah Pasyk

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A group of students travel by bus to a concert in Memphis, Tennessee in May. The students decided to go to the concert instead of attending prom. Photo submitted by Christa Angelov

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At the Country Club Plaza by Marriott in Kansas City, twins Mariette Overbecke (10) and Chase Overbecke (10) climb the walls in the hallway outside their room. The two attended a journalism conference along with the publications staffs. Photo by Jessica Kosciniak

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Receiving her diploma from her mother, Kim Ostrozovich (12) gives Mom a hug. Mrs. Ostrozovich taught at Winfield elementary. Photo by Giolas

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**Mike Zurbriggen (12) pre-
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**Dustin Henderlong (12) leads the T-birds in
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Completely unfinished business dominated the activities of the final half of the school year. Scheduling, finals, and advanced placement tests created hours of **restless sleep**. "I took the AP Biology and Calculus exams and prepared by using previous exams. It took about three hours for each exam, and it was really cold in the library which made it really hard to concentrate," said Sarah Zondor (12). Meanwhile, murals painted by the advanced art students created a new classroom atmosphere. In addition to the fifty-three juniors and seniors inducted into the National Honor Society, during a senior honors night, forty-six, senior recipients earned scholarships.

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Extra time and dedication created admirable results for clubs. On June 1 and 2, the National Honor Society and Latin Club offered **quality service** in the annual Relay for Life. "As a part of the NHS I helped fill the luminaries with sand and candles then placed them around the track. Since we were afraid it would rain, we had to transport them from inside to the track," said Kristine Rasmussen (12). Latin Club travelled to Bloomington where they attended the 47th IJCL convention on April 20-21 and returned with numerous awards. In March, foreign language clubs organized the annual Foreign Language Week with games and contests to expand their knowledge of foreign affairs. (continued p. 287)

In the spring musical "Grease", Kristine Rasmussen (12) as Cha-Cha and Robby Schrum (12) as Eugene proceed down the stroll line. Rasmussen performed a tumbling sequence in the dance scene. Photo by Giolas

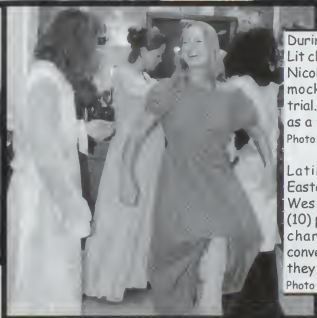
Singing "When Will I Be Loved" at Spring Sing, Rachel Easton (12), Heather Burke (12), Erin Shanley (12) and Sarah Archer perform with the Girls' Show Choir. All seniors were allowed an opportunity to sing a solo at this performance. Photo by Giolas





Lisa Diederich (11) completes her high jump competing against Lowell and Hanover during a home track meet. Diederich advanced individually to the state finals for her success in track. Photo by Giolas

Listening to Key Club President Kristin Frost (11), Erin Crowley (11) listens to club updates. Key Club met once every other week and ran the recycling program. Photo by Giolas

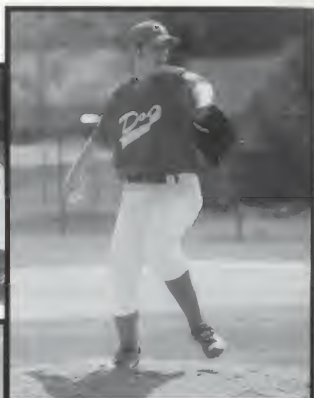


During Mrs. Overbeeke's World Lit class, Ashley Kaster (12) and Nicole Frost (12) dress for the mock 'Crime and Punishment' trial. Every student participated as a final project for the book. Photo by R. Overbeeke

Latin Club members Kenny Easton (11), Michael Porras (12), Wes Dykstra (10), and Dan Artis (10) pull Daya Pillai (11) during a chariot race. The ICJL convention lasted two days and they stayed on the I.U. campus. Photo by Kristina Chlebowsky

Wrapped in togas, Laurel Poulsen (10), Leslie Schreiber (10) and Amy Zondor (10) listen to a presentation. After studying Julius Caesar, projects of Rome were presented. Photo by Giolas

Advanced Art student Chrissy Sanford (12) paints Claude Monet's *Waterlilies* in Mrs. Landgrebe's room. As a final end-of-the-year project, students were required to paint a mural. Photo by Kristen Frank



Bidding farewell at his surprise retirement party, Mr. Jerry Holcomb (social studies) speaks to students, teachers, and graduates. Senior English invited past students to speak on behalf of Mr. Holcomb and Mrs. Diane Sykes (art). Photo by Melissa Mariola

At Turnabout, Bret Short (12) and Lisa Knopf (11) pose on the bridge for a picture. Cheerleaders transformed the Croatian Center into a magical park scene including a working fountain. Photo by Giolas



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Varsity pitcher Jim Smith (12) finishes his windup and releases the pitch. Besides pitching, Smith also played third base behind T.J. Pruzin (12). Photo by Gialas

Supporting the yellow knight by donning yellow crowns, Rhianna Tomasak (12), Kelly Williams (12), Mike Schultz (12), and Janet Repasky (12) shout words of encouragement. At Medieval Times, students feasted Medieval style and watched knights jousting. Photo by R. Overbeeke

Expert amateurs excelled during the year as three sports teams found defeat an **unacceptable solution** and five teams walked away with the title of sectional champs. "Regionals was the most nerve-racking part of the season. I knew I had to perform at my best or the season was over. It was a harsh truth," said Trey Williams (11). Meanwhile, the concert choir received a fifth place recognition at State and a mix of choirs traveled to New York City over Spring Break. While in the Big Apple, the group received a 2nd place in the American Music Festival.

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Real fantasies ran wild as students entered Turnabout and Prom "Dancing Under the Moonlight" and partaking in a "Midnight Masquerade." Poodle skirts and rolled jeans invaded the stage as the spring musical "Grease" commenced successfully the week before Spring Break. "On Spring Break I went to New York to see my friends. While I was there I went to Rochester and saw some sights," said Jessica Hammond (11).

Farewell receptions honored retirees Mr. Jerry Holcomb (social studies) and Mrs. Diane Sykes (art) as Mrs. Dana Henderson (English) arranged a good-bye party in the library during Senior English. In order to finish finals before the graduation ceremony, Thursday and Friday were elongated to full days (instead of the usual 1/2 days) and featured Burger Bashes on the football stadium bleachers. Seniors said their good-byes and prepared for **nothing short of everything**.

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At MacArthur Elementary School, Mike Stanek (11) reads a book aloud to a first grade class for Key Club's "Read and Lead" program. Stanek's general reading material consisted of books on chores and the kids' favorite book "If You Feed a Mouse a Cookie." Besides reading aloud, tutors also personally helped kids with reading skills and homework. Key Club initiated this program hoping to further extend the theme of the Key Club International motto which addresses the literacy of children. Stanek said, "This program was a great experience for both us, the tutors, and the children." MacArthur Elementary School was chosen based on the decision that their school could benefit from student assistance. During the 2001-2002 school year, Key Club hopes to adopt another elementary school. Photo by Asma Khalid



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